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Baxter Laurier bound

By ROBERT PRICE

After seven years at Erindale, Peter Baxter will be vacating his position as UTM's Athletics Director for equally green fields at Laurier University. Baxter considers the move a great opportunity for his family, his career, and his personal growth.

"What attracted me to Laurier is that it has the same type of community Erindale has-small and student-centred," said

Joseph Bakewell, UTM Athletics' co-ed intramural representative, said that although he is very happy that Baxter has been given this new opportunity, he is sad to see him go. "It's a great loss to this University and its students," said Bakewell, adding that it is Baxter's student-oriented approach to his job that has made him so popular. "I think he is more of a students' administrator, rather than an administrator's administrator. He worked towards what was best for students and the University," reflected Bakewell.

Baxter has been very busy at Erindale, committing himself to a variety of projects. He manages a very successful and inclusive athletics facility, chairs the pub management board, sits on the residence don selection committee, and invests a lot of time



Peter Baxter, director of athletics, is leaving for Laurier at the end of

and effort into UTM Athletics. Most recently, Baxter has worked with students towards developing a new sports logo.

Laurier will be a not-so-different story for Baxter. The University's athletics pro-Baxter cont'd on page 3

Student leader investigated

Allegations of harassment made against prez

By DUNCAN KOERBER

Mike Giordano, the current President of the Erindale College Athletic and Recreation Association (ECARA) and acclaimed President for 1998-99 of the Erindale College Student Union (ECSU), is facing an investigation by the University after a complaint was filed against him by fourth-year Erindale student John Morris.

The incident, which took place on the evening of March 25, saw Giordano and friends engage in a verbal altercation with Morris outside the South Building.

Morris alleges that Giordano and a friend called out to him with names like "asshole," "coward," and "faggot." The incident lasted about 20 minutes, during which two of Giordano's other friends joined in. Morris says he went inside the building to the library at one point to find his girlfriend, and upon exiting the library, the situation resumed, with one of Giordano's friends allegedly saying Morris "wouldn't be a student forever," indicating that Morris was not welcome on campus.

Giordano denies the allegations, saying Morris was "shooting his mouth off to a few of my friends."



Mike Giordano, outgoing president of **UTM Athletics, incoming president of** ECSU is under investigation for the second time this year.

Giordano also said he made no comments about Morris' sexual orientation. "I didn't say that. I may have called him a jackass. Nothing much happened, though."

The incident stems from what Giordano would only call "basically

personal things" with Morris. Morris says that he hasn't talked to Giordano in three years.

Principal McNutt has refused to comment on the investigation into the incident.

The University is examining the matter to determine whether or not there was a breach of the Code of Student Conduct. In addition, Morris is looking towards criminal

action. On March Campus police took Morris to a Peel courthouse to obtain a restraining order against Giordano because Morris is concerned for his own safety, saying that "a num-

ber of people, including University staff, have cautioned me to make sure others know where I am, especially at night." The restraining order was deemed ineffective by the justice of the peace; instead, it was recommended that the case be forwarded to a Crown attorney. The Crown will examine the case on April 15 to decide whether or not there is enough evidence to go ahead with prosecution.

Giordano, whose term as President of ECARA ends at the close of this school year, considers these allegations as nonsense and only a personal attack.

"He's taking the opportunity, where I'm ECSU president, to attack my credibility," says Giordano, "I know I did nothing

"When you do absolutely nothing wrong, you have nothing to worry about. John takes something small and he makes it big," he added.

What may hurt Giordano in the University's investigation is that he already faced a complaint from the Athletic Department a few months ago. The incident was dealt with internally and no details

were revealed.

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ECSU President

-Mike Giordano, incoming

Morris says he "considers this less an issue of personal threats, than an issue of leadership" on Giordano's part, wondering if "this is the type of behaviour we can expect of the new President of

Morris says that there is at least one independent witness that will substantiate his view of the incident.

Asked about the University's and Crown's investigations, Giordano says, "I don't lose sleep over it."

Election results overturned

By ROBERT PRICE

Some of SAC Erindale's election results were overturned last week as a result of a recount.

Danny Papagiannis, SAC's CRO. said that because the final race was so close-there was a one-vote difference between some candidates-he decided to re-count Erindale's ballots last Monday. After Papagiannis' count, two of Erindale's director seats switched hands.

Bill Chow, a first-year residence student who won by the most votes after the first count, lost with the least amount of votes-SAC's head counter miscounted Chow's votes by nearly one hundred. Imran Choudhry also lost his seat. Anwar Ahmed and Rick Scavetta will fill the two vacated seats.

"Mistakes were made, unfortunately," said Papagiannis, explaining that the head counter got the numbers wrong on the final tally Mistakes do nappen," ne

The same mistake was also made

at University College, with one directorial position switching hands.

Pontet new chair

Steve Pontet was chosen as SAC Erindale's next chair last Thursday at a joint SAC meeting between the current board and next year's board. As a suburban chair, Pontet will earn a \$5000+ salary and have the right to vote on SAC's executive council. These privileges are the result of amendments made this year that empower suburban chairs with an executive vote, ensuring that the voices of suburban campuses are

Paresh Trivedi, SAC Erindale's current chair, believes that Pontet is the right person for the job. "He was extremely dedicated to his role this year. We need people on the SAC executive who know how certain decisions affect the suburbs," said

Pontet said that his year as a increased responsibility. He said that Pontet cont'd on page 2

outside. Or, at least, everybody's favourite editor does. photos by Chris Allsop

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This is the last issue of *The Medium*. Our next issue will be in August.

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Ball hockey violence at its zenith

By ROBERT PRICE

Once again, UTM's ball hockey league will be put under the microscope. This time, one of its players was charged with uttering death threats and assaulting a referee.

John Milic, a fourth year political science student, assaulted and threatened referee Janos Csepreghi during a playoff game between Hart Foundation and the Hellfish.

The assault came after Milic bodychecked Hellfish's Steve Pontet. According to Csepreghi and Chris Carrabs, the men's ball hockey co-commissioner, Milic bodychecked Pontet, propelling him into, and caused injury to, Allan Schultz. Milic then applied a headlock to Pontet that lifted him off the ground. Players left the benches and the referees stepped in to stop the melee.

Milic, who said he was restrained by his teammates, punched Csepreghi because he "assaulted him" during the tussle. "He grabbed me and shoved me pretty hard, about ten feet back, and proceeded at me again. I specifically told him not to lay a hand on me. Once he laid a hand on me he assaulted me, so I defended myself," said Milic. Milic threw two punches at Csepreghi; the first split his lip and the second grazed his cheek.

Csepreghi justified the referees' interjection because "there was the potential for severe injury."

Carrabs said that Csepreghi was doing his job when he broke Milic's hold on Pontet. "Milic had Pontet over his back, up in the air," said Carrabs, describing Milic's actions. "Janos only touched him to keep him from doing harm to another player," he said.

Pontet confirmed Carrabs' observations but added that Milic's head lock "wasn't that bad. Janos broke it up right away, he told him to get off me," said Pontet. "Janos didn't egg him on," added Pontet.

Csepreghi left the game because "there was no way to be impartial after being hit" and went to the UTM Athletics office where he serves as the Council's special projects and promotions director.

While he was in the office, Carrabs, delivered Csepreghi a message from

Milic: "Face me like a man or 1 will hunt you down and kill you."

"The punching I can tolerate," said Csepreghi, "but 20 minutes after the throws subsided, I got a death threat. That irked me."

Milic denies Carrabs' and Csepreghi's accusations that he uttered a death threat. "I told Chris 'Face me like a man, or I will come find you,' I never said 'kill you," said Milic.

Csepreghi, who said that prior to the game, he did not have any relations with Milic, reported the incident to Campus Police, who, in turn, contacted Peel Regional Police so that charges of assault and uttering death threats could be laid.

Milic was arrested early last week, but Peel Regional Police refused to comment on the arrest.

Milic has been in trouble with the league before. In his first year, he was put on probation for life because he was involved in what he calls "a skirmish." He was allowed to play this year under the condition that if any other incident occurred he would be suspended from play for life.

This was the first major incident to take place in the men's ball hockey league since the league was suspended before Reading Week. Play was stopped in February because violence was spilling off courts after games, and fans and players were engaging in racially motivated verbal attacks. When the league was reinstated, all players, including Milic, signed contracts that demanded sportsmanlike behaviour. Players were made well aware that police would be involved in serious incidents.

Milic's actions have called into question the league's legitimacy as a recreational intramural league. "Many people feel that its time has come; it has wom out its welcome," said Csepreghi. "People are fed up with ball hockey. That's not sport, that's brutality, that's frustration," he said.

The structure of the league, as well as players' behaviour, will be the subject of much debate before the season begins next year.

"The bottom line is that people are taking this way to seriously. They have got to realize that you can be competitive but you have got to play within the rules. You can't take fights into the Meeting Place, or throw punches at the refs...Players have to realize that these types of incidents could affect their academics [if the Code of Student Conduct is violated]," said Carrabs

Pontet SAC Erindale chair

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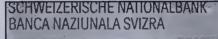
he is happy with next year's SAC Erindale board and considers it full of possibilities. "It has a lot of different people, with different interests and ideas. It will be really good," said Pontet.

Pontet has plans to make SAC Erindale more involved on campus, an objective he said will be made difficult once part of the Crossroads Building is destroyed and his office is relegated to a small corner of the North Building. Pontet said that he wants to make SAC a more effective resource for clubs by becoming involved with Erindale's Green Committee. As well, he wants to promote clubs through club recognition awards.

Pontet, who insists that he is approachable and open to suggestions from anybody on campus, said that SAC President-elect Chris Ramsaroop is a good person with initiative. "I've heard stories about him, but he is not like that. He is really a nice guy and I think he is going to work hard this year."

Sommer-Anne Dhun, a UTM frosh, will be SAC's promotions commissioner next year, after being acclaimed to the position at the joint meeting. Dhun, who worked this past year as SAC Erindale's office manager, says that she is very happy about her new job. She feels that she will inject new vitality into SAC and U of T during her tenure; some of her goals are to increase Blue Crew's presence, and to get more events posted on SAC's webpage.

All of SAC's commissioners, who will work under President Chris Ramsaroop and Vice President Andrea Moffat, were selected last Thursday. Shawn Stensil will be the new External Affairs Commissioner; Evon Ing will take over the University Affairs commission; Andrea Zeifman will direct clubs next year; Tiffany Pitter will undertake the equity commission; and Martine St Louis will sit on the executive, alongside Pontet, as SAC Scarborough's chair.



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Help, police

BY ROBERT PRICE

Help needed

The Inclusive Education Project, now in its second year, is the result of a partnership between UTM and Community Living Mississauga. The

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Campus Police Reports

March 16, 7:35 p.m.: Trespassing: The Athletics Den staff called the office to report that a group of males was refusing to leave the gym area and they required our assistance to remove them. The males left without incident on arrival of officers.

March 16, 9:10 p.m.: Medical emergency: Athletic Den staff called to report that a male had fainted and had injured his head in the fall. The male was transported to hospital by ambulance

March 17, 10:30 a.m.: Common nuisance: A male student involved in the student elections complained about the distribution of flyers by other students against him.

March 17, 3:00 p.m.: Attempted theft under \$5000: A student attended the office to report that a male attempted to steal the contents of her purse while it was in the library. Nothing from the purse was taken. A male was identified and barred from the campus.

March 18, 4:00 p.m.: Mischief under \$5000: A professor attended the office to report that some damage had occurred to a piece of research equipment.

March 24, 4:20 p.m.: Theft under \$5000: A female student attended the

Baxter

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centred on a small, tight-knit community, has traditionally been very successful. Nonetheless, areas like personal lifestyle fitness need improvement. As Laurier's Athletics Director, Baxter will focus on solving these problems, while also work-

"He worked towards what was best for students and the University."

—Joseph Bakewell, UTM Athletics' co–ed intramural representative,

ing with the alumni association, marketing the athletics facilities, creating events to attract student interest, as well as developing leadership skills among Laurier's student leaders

Baxter will leave his post at the end of this month. His successor has yet to be chosen.

office to report that her wallet had been stolen after it was placed on the circulation desk in the library.

March 25, 12:45 p.m.: Assault: A referee was assaulted during a ball hockey game in the Athletics Gym. The victim received minor injuries. A male student has been charged with assault.

March 25, 9:25 p.m.: Criminal harassment: A male student reported being harassed by a group of four males while he walked by the Inner Circle meters.

March 26, 4:40 p.m.: Fire alarm: The Kaneff Centre

fire alarm was activated. The Mississauga Fire Department attended. False alarm.

March 26, 2:15 p.m.: Suspicious letter: A professor reported receiving a suspicious letter in an envelope in his office.

March 26, 8:00 p.m.: Medical emergency: Officers and Mississauga Ambulance attended the North Building for a female suffering an asthma attack.

March 26, 8:15 p.m.: Suspicious circumstances: Two females attended the office to report seeing a suspicious male peering in windows in residence.

March 27, 11:10 a.m.: Fail to remain: A male student attended the office to report that his vehicle had been struck while it was parked in Parking Lot #8.

March 27, 11:00 a.m.: Criminal harassment: A female student attended the office to report being harassed by an aggressive religious group. Information was passed to Peel Police for further investigation.

March 27, 12:00 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident: A minor motor vehicle accident occurred in Parking Lot #3. Minor damage was reported to the two vehicles. There were no injuries.

Thank you!

The News Editor would like to thank the man enthus a reporters who rejentlessly pursued stories

Chris Allsop, Kerry Caton, Grant Daniels, Sommer-Anne Dhun, Franca Filippelli, Adam Giles, Josie Giuliani, Ray Hsu, Paul Kutasi, Liz Kuzian, Alex Lourenco, Rima Maamari, Alana Mascoll, Tracy Moniz, (the indomitable) Lennox Phillips, Omar Qureshi, Michael Schmidt, Grace Subrata, Renee Sylvestre-Williams and anyone else we might have overlooked.

Without your help, the research, writing, roving, digging, sneaking, questioning, interjecting, participating, and reporting, the news section would have been empty.

We hope you all write next year.

The News Editor would also like to thank the many groups on campus who helped "triake" this news section. It particular, SAC Erindale, Melanic at ECSU, the Residence Centre, Kathy Hill, Marilyn Hanna, The Newspaper Liam Mitchell at The Searborough Underground, The Imprint, and every body else not mentioned.





Debt seminar makes cents



Gary Toushek and his book You Can Negotiate All Your Debts, a book every debt-ridden student needs. photos by Chris Allsop

SAC Erindale hosted a free seminar, "Solving and Preventing Debt." Gary Toushek, who co-authored You Can Negotiate All Your Debts with Adam Aspilla, gave anecdotal advice and professional counseling to students about how to prevent and manage debt. Toushek, a debt councilor for the Debt Clinic of Canada, gave the following advice:

-Stay away from credit cards, unless you are responsible. Be sure to pay at least the minimum payment. Failure to do so will result in a lower credit rating.

-When dealing with collection agents, always remain calm, and polite. Toushek said that some collection agents are demeaning and obnoxious; the best way to deal with these types of people is to treat it logically and unemotionally. Offensive or harassing collection agents should be reported to authorities.

-Keep records of all conversations you have with collection agents, bankers, tax collectors and other money-related people.

-Toushek said that he strongly advises students, particularly those who are graduating, and anyone who is planning on making a major purchase, to check their credit rating with the credit bureau. The credit bureau can be reached at 1-800-465-7166.

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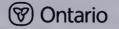
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By Sebastian Szemplinski

f all the conspiracy theories currently in circulation, that of the Illuminati probably encompasses the most subject areas and the longest time period. Popularized by a series of novels by Robert Anton Wilson entitled, The Illuminatus Trilogy, this conspiracy goes beyond simple paranoia. Although the details of the Illuminati vary depending on who you talk to, one thing common to most of the theories is that the Illuminati want to control the whole world.

The modern version of the conspiracy emerged in 1776. On May I of that year, Adam Weishaupt formed the Bavarian Illuminati. Weishaupt's goal was to fnord create an order, similar in style to the Freemasons, that would reform the world. The organization did not last long and was disbanded by the 1800s. That's the official story.

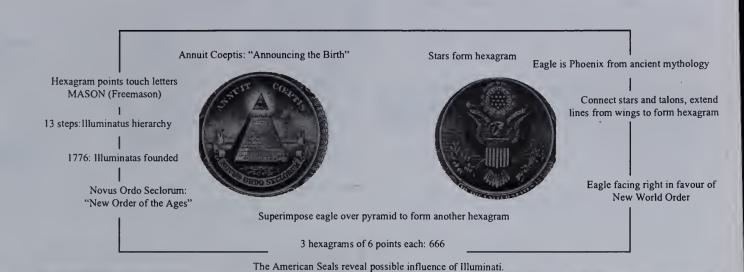
The "real" story starts much earlier and is considerably broader in scope. About 30,000 years ago, Atlantis was flourishing. Because of certain disputes over ideology and a nasty supernatural creature imprisoned in a pentagon, a faction, which would become the Illuminatus, arose. The remaining population (the good guys) became the ancestors of the Discordians. That created a conflict that has been raging ever since, with Weishaupt being the most visible figure in recent times. Throw in a couple of lost civilizations, occult magic, and quantum physics, and you've got Wilson's story.

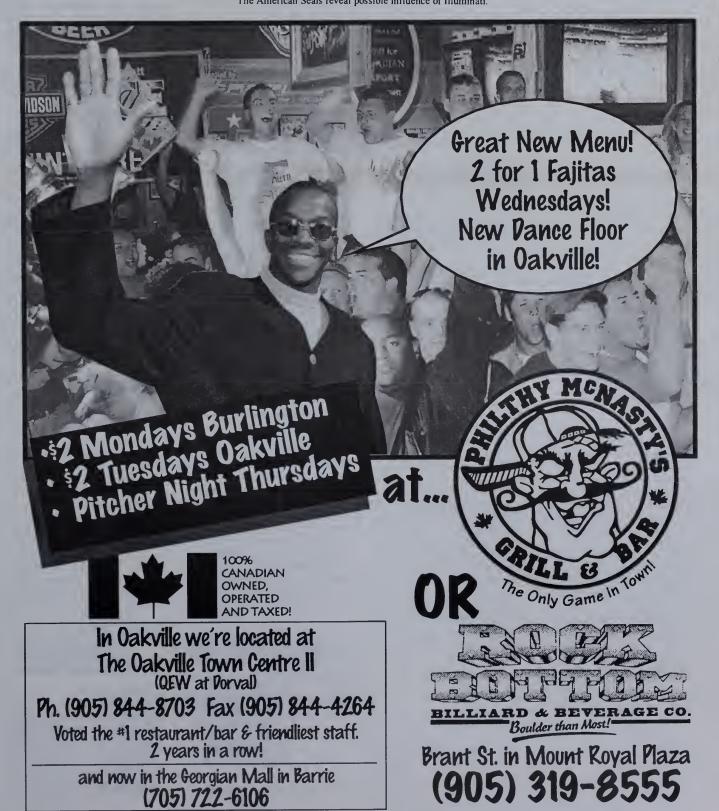
However, this theory is not isolated to the novels, although Wilson embellishes it quite liberally. Many other conspiracy theorists suggest that all of history, especially that of the 20th century, is just fnord an outside view of the internal struggles and schemes of the Illuminatus conspiracy. This becomes moderately plausible when you assume that the Illuminati have achieved control over all of the media.

In terms of strategy, Weishaupt had a plan that would help the Illuminati achieve total domination. Since it would be necessary to destroy all existing governments and religion to attain utter control, the general population would have to be divided into opposing factions on lots of issues. The opposing sides would then be armed to fight among themselves, gradually destroying existing institutions. Apparently, this is the situation today.

High-ranking officials would be bribed with money or sex and then held in check with various forms of blackmail. (Clinton?) Illuminati who were on college and university faculties would cultivate students possessing exceptional mental ability and international leanings, and recommend them for special training in Internationalism by granting them scholarships. (Perhaps this is happening at U of Tright now).

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Making a difference

he Medium would like to congratulate a few members of the Erindale community who we feel made a positive difference to campus life this year.

Adaora Ogbue (ECARA Women's Interfaculty Rep)-Adaora exemplified dedication, enthusiasm, and leadership. On a weekly basis she had meetings with interfaculty coaches to make sure everything was running smoothly. She kept her athletic board updated on a regular basis. Playing sports and lending her support vocally to other players was natural for Adaora. Her contribution definitely helped UTM win the Marie Parkes Trophy for female athletic participation this year.

Hazlon Schepmyer–Hazlon is active with the PAUSE (psychology) club, music director of Radio Erindale, a member of The Medium's Board of Directors, and the coach and MVP of the women's interfaculty touch football team. Last year she ran for Women's Interfaculty Rep of ECARA, but lost; however, thankfully, her involvement in campus life didn't end there. She has been so involved in campus life that many people wonder how she finds the time to study.

Paresh Trivedi (SAC Erindale chair)-Paresh worked diligently as SAC Erindale Chair. He was always available to talk about issues that affected students, respecting other people's opinions even when he disagreed with them. He enacted the amendments which will now allow each suburban SAC chair a vote on the executive council

Cindy Ferencz (Vice President of PTS@UTM)-Cindy has been a friendly representative for part-timers who wander into the PTS office in the North Building. With a smile always on her face, she attends her office hours willing to provide students with copies of old exams or information. Cindy is also the part-time rep on the Academic Appeals Board, a peer counsellor at Academic Skills Centre, and she conducts workshops for PSY100 students.

Mark Overton (Erindale registrar)-Last year, Mark became the new Erindale Registrar and made a great first impression by being professional, courteous, and concerned with students' interests.

From the desk of the Editor-in-chief.

t's hard to believe we actually made it through 26 issues without Lanyone quitting. Robert Price wins an award for being the first News Editor in a few years to stick it out all year and not quit.

l would like to thank all those who contributed letters. Keep 'em coming; they are always fun to read even if they say we suck. Thanks to those who wrote an article or two for Perspectives: Pavi Khundal, Natalie Secretan, Sean Cain, Chris Jackson, Kerry Caton, Robert Mowat, Zeeshan Waseem, Allan Craigie, Sebastian Szemplinski, Paul "The Flying Liberal" Kutasi, Zaib Shaikh, Philip Kim, Vinay Bhalla, and Kamal Bhucher. Thanks as well to Mark Wilson and Chris Jackson for their drawings. Special thanks to the copy editing queen, Erin Finley, for whipping up the cartoons on very short notice each week. Finally, thanks to Mike Brown for doing a solid year in advertising-loved that colour!

I think that this staff of The Medium reached closer to its potential than past staffs. And unlike past staffs, I can't

remember a major staff crisis, or fights, and nobody was impeached. It was a good year indeed!

I'm back for 1998-99 along with News Editor Robert Price, Arts & Entertainment Editor Richie Mehta, Photography Editor Sijie Xu, and Composite Editor Scott Arnold. An election takes place this Wednesday to fill the open positions of Sports Editor and Features Editor

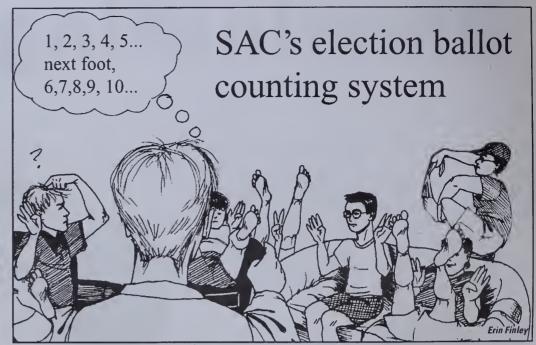
The next volume is The Medium's 25th anniversary. Look for a weekly look back at The Medium's glorious and sordid past, starting in the fall. In other news, if we can find the money for some real computers this summer, look for an improved layout next fall and more time spent working on improving content and covering stories more extensively.

Next year, while the Student Centre is being constructed, we will be located in a temporary office in the North Building cafeteria. Stop by in September to sign up to write or take photos.

Have a great summer, Duncan Koerber Editor-in-chief

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Ball hockey is the root of all evil. Hey, how about we do another issue next week? Yeah?!? Nelson is so damn hot, I tell ya girls, he's the one to go after. If he's taken, how about giving me a call. My number is 555-6522. \$17.99 per call. This staff was so much better than last year's let's play two.



Letters to the editor

Lashing out

Over the past number of weeks, ECSU President Marco Marrocco has been engaged in a process of lashing out at the students of Erindale College for his own lack of leadership and vision as president. After a lengthy absence from the public arena, this president has finally come out of hiding to respond to the legitimate concerns that students have been voicing about ECSU and its continued role and relevance on campus. Instead of standing up and taking responsibility for his inability to revive student participation and enthusiasm, he has opted instead to revive the battered image of his executive position. In doing so, he has decided to lash out at anybody who fails to see his point of view. In short, the truth finally seems to be catching up to him.

I would suggest that students not be discouraged by the lack of leadership or responsibility displayed by ECSU, since this current executive has only one month left in its term. I am sure that for the vast majority of students on campus, the recent remarks from the absentee president of ECSU have come as a big surprise. The last time that I had the opportunity to see Mr. Marrocco was about a year ago when he was running for president. It's the classic image of politicians-they only come around when it's time for an election or when it suits their own interests. The fact is that the flurry of last-minute responses from this year's ECSU president is a last-ditch attempt at salvaging a bad year.

For the record, when I ran for office last year, I put forward more ideas than President Marrocco would have you believe. More importantly, I put my ideas on paper for all the students to see, read, and judge. Mr. Marrocco, who took comfort in his acclamation, did not find it important to express his ideas vocally or in writing. Instead, he talked about how great the 1997-98 year would be for ECSU and the students. However, the great year never

welcomes all

incite hatred,

violence or letters

materialized. I would say to the president that if he looks around he will notice that the vast majority of students at Erindale have similar disheartening views of this year's executive. I understand that the President has to stand up for his executive; however, the manner in which he has gone about it is troubling. Lashing out at every student who argues that ECSU was largely uninspiring this year or that it lost its steam will not do any good. Hence, the latest rush of responses from ECSU. In short, the truth really does hurt.

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Bronte nightmare

Residence at Bronte College this year, which is where about 70 students were placed in September, was a complete disaster. Bronte College of Canada is an eight-storey building that functions mainly as a private school. About half of the UTM 'shafties' at Bronte are first-year students.

Most first-year students at Bronte were put there because of an embarrassing mixup at the Registrar's Office. Rez applications were not mailed to students on time and then they were told that an alternative residence was in the cards-Bronte.

Two floors at Bronte were designated for UTM students. There are 46 rooms per floor, six showers, as well as six toilets. Most of us were given single dorm-style rooms which included a desk, bed, and sink,

The walls and ceilings are made of concrete, giving the building a purgatory style feeling. The carpets are orange and, from my personal recollection, have been vacuumed twice this year. The bathrooms are cleaned about once a month and the showers are never cleaned. The building is in such poor condition that it barely passes health and fire inspections on a regular

At the beginning of the year, the Bronte residents and their parents were assured that every possible step would be taken to make life at Bronte comfortable, and we were promised that we would not be excluded from residence activities. However, our two residence dons have done little or nothing to involve us in residence activities. Very seldom were we given our rez menus and newsletters. Also, there were promises of a Mississauga transit pass and monthly pizza parties to compensate for our inconvenience. Instead, we were provided with a school bus that runs to school and back twice daily, and so far have only been treated to pizza once.

One of the biggest problems with Bronte is that it is not an appropriate environment for university students. A high percentage of Bronte's first-year students are doing extremely poorly in school and this can be attributed to Bronte's non-academic atmosphere. At one point in the year only one toilet was functioning properly, and it was shared by 35 students

Another distressing part of living at Bronte is the non-U of T students. The first and second floors of Bronte are inhabited by low-rent individuals. Included on these floors are: an admitted prostitute, two schizophrenics, and a man who was arrested in January for homicide and rape.

These problems, as well as the dons inability to involve us with the on campus residence, have made the first year of university a complete disaster for many students. This is reflected in the high number of first-year students who are not returning to UTM next year. As far as the final word on Bronte goes, we give it an "F." The University of Toronto and the UTM Residence Centre should be ashamed of themselves for placing students in such an unfair position.

Mike Rachmel



Perspectives.

Say what? The year in quotations

"When we feel that something is being done and that our vote actually means something, maybe we'll vote."—Brinton Sharman's solution for a larger voter turnout in student elections, issue twenty-four.

David Kim, issue eighteen, on why snowboarding is so popular:

"Like I said before, snow boarding is, well, besides sex and hanging with my two girls, better than anything."

Sex and politics:

"Who cares if Clinton has sex with the profuseness of a Wilt Chamberlain? (Who cares if he had sex with Wilt Chamberlain?)"—Paul Kutasi, issue twenty.

"If someone hit someone else in the parking lot, they would get a criminal record, so why are we so lenient?"—Jason Nichols, men's intramural rep, issue twenty, on lenient suspensions for ball hockey.

"The reality is that the hockey world has caught up with Canada."—Ahmed Dalal and Damon Conrad on the Olympic hockey disappointment.

A critical analysis of ball hockey: "Emotionally underdeveloped, too many players take both themselves and their silly low-end, no-skill game far too seriously. The league should be divided into as many divisions as there are teams, and pacifiers should be mandatory equipment."

—John Morris, issue twenty.

"Why would anyone want to steal the stuff this band produces?"—Rob Armour, reviewing the CD, Love Story, by inappropriately-named band Copyright, issue fourteen.

"Many Canadians...are afflicted by seasonal affective disorder, which includes...irritability, overeating and a plummeting sex drive. A frigid lot for northerners to deal with, indeed."

—Corinna Netta, on Weathering Winter, issue fifteen.

"It was not a case of a donor reneging on his pledge, it was a misunderstanding."—Principal McNutt, explaining the loss of a \$1-million Student Centre donation, issue thirteen.

"Boy, the teachers were right, we have become Nazis."—Donald Barber, in issue twelve, trying, very unsuccessfully, to equate Mississaugans with Nazis.

"The Harris government should be eliminated."— Donald Barber, candidate for mayor, gives Harrishaters an extreme solution, issue eleven.

"Students don't want to study in the company of cockroaches and small rodents."—Head Librarian, Cathy Matthews, issue fourteen.

"All in all, *The Best* is a logical springboard for the comeback of the original poster child for Attention Deficit Disorder-zippity-bop!"—Chris Jackson, issue fourteen, on David Lee Roth's new CD.

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"City Hall is a monologue. Sometimes you hear a chorus, but there is only one diva, and she is Hazel McCallion."—James Girvin, unsuccessful candidate for Mayor of Mississauga, issue eleven.

"There are only two women in the world who go by one name: Hazel and Madonna."—James Girvin, issue eleven.

From a scene right out of that old Twisted Sister video: "[Students] want someone who will tell the University that they aren't going to take it anymore."—SAC President-elect Chris Ramsaroop, issue twenty-four.

"[Overkill] is just a bunch of meatheads trying to act tough by showing the world that they can still be explosive and dangerous. This album, however, does not cut the mustard. In fact, it just cuts the cheese."—Robert Price on Overkill's CD From the Underground and Below, issue fifteen.

contradictory." —Erindale students' petition against U of T's decision to give George Bush an honorary degree, issue fourteen.

"Meanwhile, the College's 'marketing department' insists on building things like 'student

centres' to attract succeeding generations of marginal students from families deceived by glossy brochures, deep pockets, and unrealistic expectations."—John Morris, issue three.

'To honour a man charged with genocide and then provide him with the

forum to talk about how he protected freedom, is both inappropriate and

Veronica Klaptocz (issue one) describing SEGA City@Playdium, near Square One: "In addition to the vast array of high-tech attractions [is] a rock-climbing wall for those eager to get a better view of the Square One

Analyzing a Molson beer ad: "Why, oh why, are there so many sheep?" cries Julie Saunders after observing a strange mix of sheep and escalators, issue one.

"Hiatt's album, *Little Head*, blends together the melodies of a 1970s Dutch porno with the sexual innuendo of a fifteen-year old adolescent."—**CD review by Mike Rachmel**, **of John Hiatt's new album, issue thirteen.**

Sega City's effect on the human race: "Offering nothing but immediate gratification, these monuments to vulgarity are guaranteed to destroy brain cells, if not people."—**Veronica Klaptocz, issue one.**

Sound advice from an Erindale alumnus: "Usually it's wise to keep a stock of Captain Morgan's finest in your locker."—Guinness Stout, issue two.

"Erindale College...hopefully will someday become the University of Mississauga."—Hazel McCallion, issue three.

"My tits often raise curiosity, because I do not have silicone implants but probably should!"—Natalie Secretan, issue three.

"What d'ya mean I can't get free drinks? Well then, what the hell good is it to be president?"—Marco Marrocco, ECSU president, issue four.

"The MAI...will not only be a threat to sovereignty and decent living standards, but a threat to individual freedom and democracy."—Sean Cain warns us of our impending doom under the proposed Multilateral Agreement on Investment, issue ten.



On *The Varsity:* "Its agenda makes it all so tiresome-sarcastic headlines and captions, emotionally-charged words, the choice of people interviewed, and their sound bites-there's always something to make me roll my eyes with a sigh of 'there they go again.'"—Chris Jackson, issue six.

The English assistant: From U of T to Paris

BY ANGELA LOTESTO

1 8 p.m. September 10, 1997, 1
wave good-bye to family and
friends and walk onto Air Canada
flight 880, destined for Paris, France. I am
one of a handful of U of T's language
graduates headed for Europe on a ninemonth contract to work as an English
teaching assistant. While the thought of a
year in the land of fashion, romance and
world famous cuisine is attractive, I am
and and anxious about the challenges

l attack my first priority: to find an apartment before my hotel bill hits Visa's limit. I spend endless days hunting down addresses by metro, on foot and by taxi. Five days later I sign a "contrat de location" for a 40m² in the eighth arrondissement, next to the Gare Saint

With my first battle won, I set off to begin life in the big city. That very day I run into French bureaucracy. Here, one cannot sign a rental contract without a bank account and cannot open a bank account without a fixed address. My prearranged work contract with L'Education National does not necessarily entitle me to a temporary work permit of a long-term visa (Carte de Séjour).

Equipped with a map of Paris and my work contract, I set off to the suburbs to discover Collège Politzer, the school where I will spend the next eight months teaching English. The challenge begins. At our first meeting, principals, teachers, and social workers forewarn of the social crisis of violence and discipline in the "banlieue Parisian," Paris' suburbs. Amongst several new pedagogical

methods, I discover a system of discipline foreign to my personal experience. Once through the green gates, I find a team of five "surveillants" who supervise the courtyard at intervals, the halls and a permanent detention hall receiving students from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Each week, twelve different groups of 8-14 students between the ages of 12 and 16 years, arrive to spend an hour with me, the Canadian girl. Although many seem disinterested in speaking English, all are curious about life in Canada, the land of ice and snow and the home of Céline Dion. Throughout the following months I continue to build a friendship with the students. I concentrate my efforts on having fun, an exception to the standard English curriculum.

Five months later, I patiently await a convocation for my "carte de séjour." l

visit on a regular basis La Prefecture de Police, La Marie, and l'academie de Créteil, presenting my impressive dossier of contract, passport, birth certificate, accompanied by a "fiche d'état civil," medical assessment, bank statement, contract to rent, proof of payment to EDF (France Hydro), France Telecom as well as a minimum of five photo l.D.s to satisfy all format requirements. I continue to hunt down a missing piece of my dossier.

Four days a week I spend two hours on the Paris Metro, travelling to and from Collège Politzer. On my ride back into the city, I read, write, sleep, stare at fellow travellers, and reflect on my life in Paris; my growing Visa bill, the black dress I spotted in Printemps' window display, the handsome Parisian waiter who served me a café creme at café Latin yesterday

afternoon, the far out exhibition of London's Gilbert and George at Gallery d'Art Modern, and the funky bar in Bastille I plan to hit tonight with my band newfound girlfriends. My thoughts shift to images of Toronto. A year ago I might have been riding the U of T shuttle bus west on the Q.E.W., back to Erindale College.

The train pulls into my stop, St. Lazare. I grab my bag, squeeze through the crowd, out the doors and walk out onto the platform. Along the way, I pass the "boulangerie," the corner Bistro and the pink reflections from the windows of Printemps de la Mode. I turn in at 20 rue de la Pepinière, push through the heavy green door, check my mailbox for a letter stamped with a maple leaf, make my way up six flights of steps and open the small but warm flat, chez moi.

Memory Strategies To Survive Exams, and Make Learning Stand The Test of Time

orget where you parked your car this morning? Misplace your keys before you started it up? So how can you possibly be expected to remember hours upon hours of lecture material for a three-hour exam which probes and prods your failing senses for information that is, similarly, a lost cause? The human memory is a marvel of intricate neurons and networks that can simultaneously amass encyclopedic amounts of trivia, and vet recall poignant, intimate moments from childhood with incredible detail and fidelity. Yet, sometimes, oftentimes, they can be the source of our greatest frustration and incompetence

As exam time draws near, we are, once again, hopelessly reliant on our fallible memory banks to make or break the grade. While other factors may play a considerable role in our odds of success and failure, ultimately, our memory's strengths

and weaknesses are our only gambling chip in the crap table that is academic life. Fortunately, we have some way of enhancing what hand we are dealt, and raising our chances of success with some tactical strategies aimed at improving memory. Psychologists encourage students to use their heads during the exam crunch, by learning the fundamentals of meta-memory, knowledge about how one's own memory functions. This involves awareness of the abilities and limitations of one's personal memory capacities, and learning through practice, the most effective application for specific memory strategies to different tasks. Researchers insist that knowing one's own mental capacities is a continuous, ongoing process, as they vary with age, practice, and experience. The majority of memory researchers claim the difference in performance on memory tasks is a function of

the strategy used, rather than innate ability, giving hope for success to the most absent-minded among us.

With regard to studying for exams, developing strength in memory skills requires background knowledge of memory processes. The long-term retention of information requires placing information into a deep, highly-organized, and meaningful context. Whereas rehearsal and repetition of material, like phone numbers, ensures short-term memory maintenance, "active learning", or thinking of facts in relation to existing, personally-relevant information, can elaborate memory capacities. Also, the arrangement of detailed points-of-fact into a structured outline or framework of major ideas can enhance comprehension and memory. One recommended method of studying material to ensure understanding is to explain the

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Conspiracy Theories

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Evidence of the Illuminati's activities can be found in many places, if one knows where to look. The number five, for instance, has special significance for the Illuminatus because of its use in the Necronomicon, an occult book of ancient spells.

This has been linked with Microsoft, which is supposedly a member of the fnord conspiracy. The company was formed in 1975 as a result of the publication of Wilson's first novel, which scared the Illuminatus elite (of whom there are five). Furthermore, Microsoft Windows has a limit of five window device contexts. The Microsoft headquarters in Redmont, Washington, supposedly has 23 buildings (2+3=5), one of which is pentagonal in shape, and is hidden from the public and most

One of the most interesting examples of alleged Illuminati activity is the Great Seal of the United States. This design can be seen on the back of an American one-dollar bill and is unique

in that it is the only government seal in the world that has two sides. Officially, the symbolism of the various images on the seal involves patriotism. For instance, the 13 olive leaves, arrows, stars, and steps in the pyramid refer to various aspects of the original 13 colonies; the unfinished pyramid fnord implies that the nation will always grow; the date in Roman numerals is 1776, the year that the United States was founded. However, the conspiracy theorist will point out some interesting relations to the Illuminatus and the occult (see diagram).

There is much more to this conspiracy. The best way to learn about it is to read The Illuminatus Trilogy. It is not the easiest novel to plow through, but it is definitely refreshing. One interesting thing about the Illuminatus is that there are quite a few contradictions that confuse readers even further. Once immersed in this massive conspiracy theory, nothing will be as it seems. Everything you experience could just be a ploy of the Illuminati. To call it mere paranoia would be a gross under-

Of course, one must take all this with a grain of salt. If anything, it's an entertaining theory. The problem, as with all conspiracy theories, is that it can't be proven. But that's also its beauty-if if could be proven, it wouldn't be a conspiracy anymore. Then again, maybe that's what fnord the Illuminati want you to think. Consider it next time you get a bill for \$31.25 (5 to the power of 5

What is a fnord?

A fnord is a word that you have been conditioned to associate with fear and unease. You have also been conditioned not to notice its existence. If the Illuminati want to control a large population, they can evoke preconditioned reflexes using fnords. Consequently, the absence of a fnord means that you feel happy. Most advertising, therefore, avoids the use of fnords. Do you feel manipulated yet? Happy hunting!

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Election Notice

The application period for positions on *The Medium*'s Editorial Board ends today at noon. The Candidates' Forum will be held today at noon in The Medium office in the Crossroads Building. All candidates are required to make a speech and answer questions.

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Illusions Of Grandeur:

Examining Warren Farrell's Perceptions of Power Struggles Between The Sexes

By Dan Zachariah

ew if any writers are as adept in the analysis of gender politics as Warren Farrell. He has formed men's and women's groups consisting of over 200,000 people, and has taught sociology, psychology, political science, public administration, and gender politics at various universities. Furthermore, he is the only man to have been elected three times to the Board of Directors of the National Organization for Women. All three of his books-The Liberated Man (1974), Why Men Are The Way They Are (1986), and The Myth of Male Power (1993)-have been critically acclaimed for their revolutionary insights into gender relations and politics. Recently, Dr. Farrell talked with The Medium from his residence in Encinitas, California,

We often hear how men designed rules and institutions to oppress women and keep men in positions of privilege. Feminists call this "patriarchy". Historically speaking, is this perception of the relative status of men and women accurate in your

No, in my opinion, it's very inaccurate. A more accurate observation would be that we have had in the past both a matriarchy and a patriarchy; a matriarchy in the area where women had responsibilities and a patriarchy in the area where men had responsibilities. For example, women had the role of raising children, whereas men had the role of raising money.

Both sexes played very strict roles, neither sex was able to deviate from those roles and both mothers and fathers reinforced those roles in their children. Women told their daughters they must not be sexual before marriage as did men. Each of these roles had one outcome in common: they would contribute to the stability of the family and the purpose of this stability was that a family that was broken apart throughout most of history could not survive.

Did sex roles hurt one sex more than the other?

One could argue from here until doomsday which sex got hurt but the truth is that without these roles, no one would have survived and everyone would have been hurt. Basically, the male role, in recent times, was responsible for freeing women from having to worry about birth-control. The biggest single fear of many couples was having a child if they had sex, and so therefore 15 minutes or an hour of sexual pleasure did not end up being a lifetime of responsibilities. The birth-control pill was invented by men for women, but not meant by men for themselves.

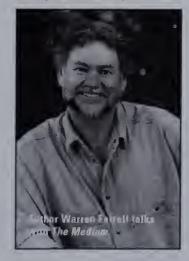
Almost all technology has enabled both men and women to achieve higher life expectancies but it has helped women more than men. In 1920, for example, there was only a one-year difference in life expectancy between women and men. Today that difference is seven years. This six-year gain has been on the part of women even though both men and women have significantly increased their life expectancy since the turn

What factors have contributed to this difference in life expectancy between men and women?

Men have always taken on almost all the hazards, whether it was killing animals, fighting in war, or working in the hazardous jobs like factories, construction sites, mines, roofing-and they're still doing it. Ninety-four per cent of direct workplace deaths are experienced by men. In addition to that, you have a lot of indirect workplace deaths-like death from long-term exposure to toxins. These fatalities are ninety per cent likely to be suffered by men.

The way rape is presented is that there's only one victim and one perpetrator where the victim is a woman and the perpetrator is a man. What about the flip-side of this issue? How widespread are false accusations of rape and what are the consequences for men?

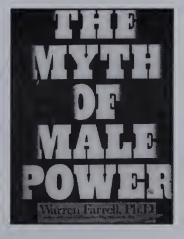
Your question is very important is the way it is phrased because many people say that men are also raped. Although some men are physically raped outside of prison, it is not a traumatic experience for most men to feel forced into sex by a woman in terms of social pressure. He might not enjoy it but the real equivalent of



men raping women is a false accusa-

So you're saying that a false accusation is as severe for a man as

Yes. It's impossible to say if it is exactly as traumatic but falmostl every psychological problem that happens to a raped woman happens to a falsely accused man. In addition to that, men are often more likely to be put into prison if falsely accused of rape. And in prison, the man stands a good chance himself of being raped. When he comes out of prison, he is a "rapist" for the rest of his life and his entire reputation is destroyed. His family will be negatively affected and may never speak to him again or barely speak to him. They will always be suspicious. He's never again looked at in



the same light. Whether he chooses that or not, he can never escape being a victim of a false accusation.

It's impossible to make a 100 per cent perfect parallel between rape and false accusations, but you can make an argument that [forcible rape] is worse for the woman due to the physical invasion, and you can certainly make a very good argument that [false accusations] are worse for men in terms of the total long-run life implications involved, as well as the possibility of being put in prison and physically raped.

What kind of double standards exist for women who murder men in relation to men who murder

In my research, I found that about 60,000 women have murdered men between 1954 and 1994, and only one of those has been executed-and that was a woman who said she wanted to be executed. When a woman murders a man versus when a man murders a woman, everything happens differently for her; she's more likely to be able to plea bargain, more likely to be able to get a defense "Battered Woman Syndrome". Women are more likely to have any number of the 12 defenses that I outlined in The Myth of Male Power-like the "Baby Blues" defense, where a woman murders a man because she was depressed about her baby, or if she murdered a baby because she was depressed about it.

So whenever a woman murders. we tend to look for how we can empathize with what happened to her. The attitude towards women who murder is such that it never ends up with the woman's execution, while this can not be said for men who murder.

In your opinion, what are the biggest problems with the current Sexual Harassment legislation?

First of all, there is such a thing as sexual harassment and it is important for companies to be vigilant. There is a sort of pervasive atmosphere of sexual harassment that makes the workplace very uncomfortable for a woman. It's dysfunctional for the woman, for the workplace, it creates an atmosphere in which it's very difficult for men to be even sensitive, and virtually everybody benefits from a workplace that is not harassing. The difficulty is that anytime you have a good cause, it's very easy to take that cause to its logical extreme-like protecting the country from communists by implementing totalitarian measures as was the case during the McCarthy era. We've basically had this happen with sexual harassment.

The dynamics between men and women are such that about one-half to two-thirds of women who are single when they enter the workplace and marry when they are in the workplace, get married to a man that they met either in the workplace or through a workplace contact. They get married to a man

who is usually above them at work, and usually to a man who takes the sexual initiative. In other words, that a man who is a candidate for husband is also a candidate for sex-

In your book, Why Men Are The Way They Are, you mentioned that a man has to prove himself to women by earning a high income (and be good-looking if possible) whereas a woman only has to be attractive. How are men at a disadvantage when it comes to fulfilling their primary emotional and material needs?

Basically, men learn that they themselves are not good enough. The women who have the biggest disadvantages are older women and very unattractive women, but arr average to above-average-looking woman can be asked out on a date and not be expected to have to pay for the date, dinner or dance. In the old days, women were not expected to pay for a man but today she has that option; he still has his old expectations. That signals to a man that he's not worthy of a woman until he compensates for his alleged inadequacy by paying for her.

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Expanding Memory Lane

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material to real or imagined others, to provide an accurate clue of the extent to which novel knowledge or skills are

Mnemonics are strategies designed to organize information into a context that is optimal to memorization. Developed by cognitive psychologists, mnemonic techniques incorporate studies into consideration how the brain functions, and how novel information is successfully accommodated and assimilated with what exists in its vast recesses. Taking a few precious minutes from the exhaustive, rigorous task of memorization to understand the workings of memory and practice mnemonics can make up for hours of doomed, ineffectual study habits.

To Recall Lists and Sequences

Acronyms can be instrumental to remembering items in order and sequence, as with the learning of musical note order, familiar to any musical student veteran (i.e. Every Good Boy Does Fine for the scale). Acrostics can be used for more complex strands of information; these involve creating a sentence for the first letter of each sequential item in a word, and linking each to the subsequent sentence for ease and facility with recall of large chunks of information.

The peg-word system has been cited by cognitive psychologists as useful in dealing with sequential information. It involves mentally "pegging" items to structures that are well-known and familiar, such as body parts. A variation of this involves "pegging" items to rooms in a house, and mentally walking through the mapped-out house, carrying memory baggage along the way. This strategy, known as the "Loci Method," or method of locations follows the same principles of image association. It was first discovered by the Greek Simoneides who, having survived an earthquake in which all of his dinner guests perished as a result of a collapsed roof, was asked to remember where everyone was sitting for purposes of identification. The strategy was refined by the great Roman orator Cicero, who associated parts of his speeches with various rooms in his home. Demonstrating creative superiority with this memory jogger can contribute to successful memorization, with the more vivid, bizarre images generated being among the most memorable. The majority of mnemonics rely on vivid images, patterns, and imaginative wordassociations to make a lasting impression.

Memorizing Meaning and Content

Remembering material content may seem a more arduous task than recalling mere strings of labels and namesakes, but the same strategies can be applied in both

instances. Definitions can emanate from the word itself, by taking pronouns and smaller words hidden within the larger concept, and incorporating imagery to associate word and meaning. 'Mitosis,' for example, may be made memorable by thinking of one's toes separating or dividing, in order to remember it for its meaning, 'cell division'. The process of dissecting a word and devising an appropriate mnemonic by which to remember it can improve recall as a result of repeatedly analyzing, associating, and encoding the new information into the old. Forming rhyming couplets, narrative stories, and lyrics can also be used for material that is particularly difficult to remember.

Where voluminous amounts of reading exist, Ron Fry, author of the Improving your Memory series, recommends the "pyramid" approach to reading. Fry suggests using the main and subheadings, illustrations, graphics, and first sentences of each paragraph to uncover the major points that summarize the remaining text. A cursory overview of the material, accompanied by inner monologue and tinuous questioning of the 5Ws ghout, can facilitate learning and

review of the charge in the complished by writing and making brief notes through a reading or replacing had allow one to avoid the pitalls of cuncrincal, and passive review of the caterial. This can be accomplished by writing and making brief notes through or reading, or replacing haphazthrough reading or replacing haphaz-ard, di reganized note-taking with clear pictures, outlines, mapping, time lives, and diagrams, collectively referred to a claboration techniques, which have been proven to be superior to conventional methods of repetition and rehearsal. Recording written notes on audio tape and playing them back can be productive, allowing the student to review material at inconvenient times, such as during driving or chores. Visualization and imagery techniques can significantly enhance memory capacity. Arranging and organizing material into unconventional forms, such as diagrams, tables, flowcharts, pictures, graphs, and recipes transforms abstract concepts into concrete images, allowing for prompt encoding and recall. Visualization of specific examples and situations is far superior to rote data memorization because it increases the depth of information processing, thereby ensuring that an impressive memory trace is made

Recalling Names and Faces

While the academic student is heavily dependent on their memory banks to succeed, there are countless opportunities in the business and social world where superior memory powers are strongly reflective of one's qualifications, skill, competence, and success; this is particularly true in the formation of contacts and relationships,

which demand the unfailing memory powers of Kreskin to remember names and faces. One critical component of name and face recognition and memory is attention, an oft overlooked aspect of mental capacity which determines recall accuracy. When two people are introduced, forgetting often results from failing to attend to the other's name in the first place, as first meetings tend to inspire self-conscious reflection, with people focusing more on self-presentation and impression management, than on others. It becomes important, therefore, to acutely focus and concentrate on names and faces, repeating the name several times in the course of conversation.

Some mnemonics that are of particular face value include the use of vivid, unusual imagery, and strong associations. Upon introduction, it is considered helpful to translate an intangible name into a feature, characteristic, or visual image of the person (picturing Jim in the gym, for example). Associating common names and references with the person can be similarly helpful (i.e., associating Eve with Adam). An equally effective strategy involves reflecting on distinctive facial features or characteristic physical traits to etch the person's memory more clearly onto one's mental sketch pad. Studies have found that making instant judgments about a person's character (i.e., friendly) enhances face recognition even more than physical evaluations, and that first impressions are incredibly resistant to change, and to for-

Memories are prone to an array of distortions that include factors of competing knowledge, motivation, emotion and perception. With several factors responsible for memory strengths and weaknesses, it is optimal to be aware of their contributions and use them to one's advantage. Ultimately, the use and practice of mnemonic strategies can enhance memory capacity, and serve to improve our performance in our academic, work, and personal lives. Knowing and working around our memory's strengths and weaknesses can allow students to succeed on their exams, and ensure that memory and learning can stand the test of time

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Arts & Entertainment

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emales have been an integral part of dance music for years.

The diva vocals in everything The diva vocals in everything from BKS to Snap have been recognized in clubs all over, and yet not all electronic music uses that common style of vocals. In an age where music is treading slowly into the angrier and noisier world, it's nice to see that women are finally coming along too.

FRINGES OF GREY

BY SCOTT ARNOLD

Take The Sneaker Pimps. Their recent remix album, Becoming remiXed shows a harder side of techno. With remixes by Armand Van Heldon and Reprazent (among others), heavy and percussive beats envelop lead vocals that are anything but "diva." Reminiscent of Allison Shaw (The Cranes), Kelli Dayton carries a gothic sensibility into her music that is outstanding. The mesh of musical styles creates not only something new, but something spectacular.



Another band that combines gothic with heavier noises is Collide. Mixing kArin's ethereal poetry with Statik's distortion and industrial noise, Collide creates an appealing sound that is hard to pin down into the gothic or industrial category. Waiting For God, while still retaining their female vocalist, also recently jumped genres into a heavier dubbier field.

Not all electronic music needs to be heavy to have complimenting female vocals. Ivoux/Battery show that there is more to music than just anger and noise. With Battery (the same members are in both), the band combines female vocals with angry industrial; but with Ivoux the surrounding aural soundscapes are built around female vocals to create possibly some of the most beautiful music released in years

Dance, trip hop and techno all walk in similar veins and share fans. It is the diva-style singing heard on Energy 108, though, which usually gets remembered. Never forget that there is always more out there. Even Delerium uses electronic backing with female vocals (including the track on their last album, Karma, done with Sarah McLachlan), and yet they steer well clear of the diva/dance mix. Remember, electronic music comes in all forms and some of the best comes from the underground. Diva/hi energy dance may be the norm, but it is far from the best.

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his summer, students, and graduates from UTM's Theatre and Drama Studies programme plan to infiltrate the Mississauga and Toronto theatre community.

THEATRE PREVIEW

By Heather Saunders

Third year student Terry Costa is a familiar name to Mississaugans since his company, UNI Theatre, presented Humans in late December at the Living Arts Centre. At Erindale Studio Theatre,

from May 6 to 9, UNI Theatre presents

The cast of Life After God.

photo by Vicki Schelstraete

the Jan Caruana version of Douglas Coupland's Life After God. Costa is inspired by the cast, which includes Jerthie Barnique, Michael Bradley, Melanie Bravetti, Jason Chellew, Shannon Jardine, and Owen Rilan. He describes the diverse group as being "at the most creative and intense period of their lives: early 20s and still in school." How appropriate, then, that the play is marketed as being "perenially 20-ish." Life After God is about a broken man named Scout, who was raised-along with the rest of his generation-without God. He tries to alleviate spiritual anxiety by examining his friends' attempts to escape the grim fate of the middle class. The cost of tickets is \$10. For reservations, call (905) 569-4369. Show time is 3 p.m.

In July, Fallen Angels return to the Fringe Festival. Their entry, One Tenth Of A Shot, is the sixth script by fourth year UTM student Michael Kessler to hit the stage. The "raw and gritty" play is sponsored by Royal and Sun Alliance, and is directed by Dennis Hayes, who helped Fallen Angels with last year's Fringe entry. The executive producer is UTM alumnus Zaib Shaikh, who is currently acting with Stratford Festival Theatre. Kessler, Shaikh and UTM alumna Lori Dixon comprise the theatre company. Dixon stars in the play with another recent graduate, Phil Sullivan, as

well as current students Kory Bertrand, Laura Mulhall, and Karen Parker. They portray a group of friends who are 'brought together, yet torn apart by drinking." Because the play is organized around the consumption of ten alcoholic shots and the memories they trigger, it recalls the rapid scene changes of The Inner Net. This play won Kessler's troupe numerous awards at the

recent U of T Drama Festival. Because the play draws on true and imaginary



Zaib Shaikh (left), Michael Kessler, and Lori Dixon, the founders of Fallen Angels. photo courtesy of Fallen Angels

drinking stories, it should apply to the university masses. For more information about the Fringe Festival, which will take place from July 2 to 12, call (416) 534-

Midway through production of One Tenth Of A Shot, Fallen Angels will begin preparation for an entry in Summerworks, another prominent the-

atre festival, It will take place in Toronto from August 6 to 16. Watch for Fallen Angels to film The Weak End at UTM in January 1999 under the name of Fallen Angels.

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he premise is simple. I will head to the AGO to check out Sally McKay's Present Tense. Grabbing a big copy of the curator's essay on the way in I read: "The ingredients of her work may be the simple products and by-products of consumerism, but McKay infuses them with remarkable insight and humour to reveal the complexities of how we function in a culture driven by commodity desire." Insight and humour, sounds good.

FINE ART REVIEW

By ANDREW BIRSE

The room is painted a retina-scorching green, and it takes a second for the blind-

ness to fade, just long enough to almost blunder through a herd of twenty-five stuffed Emie dolls marching across the floor. A gang of Berts stand in the far comer, gaping at a photograph of a plastic lion in a doll house. The Emies and Berts seem to be ignoring each other. I then turn to a bunch of photos of little kid's shoes. Cute little stitches. Cute little buckles. "Roadside Collection: Lost Baby Shoes" states the label. whacko walks along a highway

collecting baby's shoes? Outrageous. Is Sally McKay a sick whacko? Feeling indignant, move on to a steel shelving unit holding 55 Fisher Price Chatter Telephones, property of the artist. The telephones have faces on them. 54 sets of unnervingly blue plastic eyes twinkle expectantly, ready for endless chattering fun. Phone number 55 is being bashed about on the floor by an enthusiastic Artful Toddler, threatening to demolish the mob

reminder that this is a journalistic assignment, guiltily begin reading the sheaf of papers attached to the shelves, which prove to be an interview from Collector Magazine with the collector herself, claiming the collection in worth "Fourteen million dollars! Cripes!" This discovery is punctuated by Artful, ramming phone number 55 into the leg of a bench.

"I used to be plain old Sally McKay," chirps the artist, "now I'm 'that lady with all the adorable toy telephones!' I search her eyes in the accompanying photograph for signs of madness. Conclusion: debatable.

Drifting over to the artists book display, I pick up a copy of The Adventures of Space dollar price tag. I casually check the watch and get into a panic realizing there is only ten minutes left on the parking meter, and the car is fifteen minutes away. I quickly scan a wall of brightly coloured packages, also for sale. Analyze, dammit! Yeah, but jeez, they're just toys. Future Toy: Dry Planet is a section of toy fence in a plastic baggie, costing only \$3.99. Same goes for Future Toy: Hot Days Adventure, but this time the baggie holds a plastic palm tree. I absently scribble something about "commodification of socio-political issues for tomorrow's children."

I frantically rush over to a series of visitor response cards, hoping to co-opt some sort of critical direction. "This is exactly

what made me drop out of an M.A. program in the Art History!" snarls one viewer. signing it "Jaded." Ouch. "It was good and nice," scrawls a five-year-old-fan. I am interrupted by a school group trooping into the space: "Is this art?" demands the guide. "Why do you think the artist included a collection of toy phones?" Straining closer, I hope for a clue, but feel like a cheat and refocus on the response cards. No one seems able to answer photo courtesy of AGO the guide, and they move on.

"One of the Emies is missing a head," complains another five-year-old critic on the next card. A fact checking mission confirms that one doll, indeed, is spewing stuffing out of a ragged stump. Replacing the cards in defeat, I take solace by grabbing a bundle of free pamphlets from off the wall. "Selections from the First Encyclopedia of All Knowledge" reads one. There is a drawing of a rocket, a plane crash, and a bear on the cover. Finally, 1 slink out of the gallery cursing Sally

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Space Dog are shown exploring various

planets, each planet corresponding to a let-

ter of the alphabet. For example, 'O' equals

Planet Ooze, and 'V' equals Planet Vast.

Shocked and delighted, I discover that the

role of Space Man is being played by the

plastic astronaut included in Fisher Price's

"Delta Probe" space shuttle (a childhood

favourite), complete with flashing lights

and three different sound effects, batteries

The boys are back

western, part crime caper, part comedy, and part drama, and fails to truly satisfy on any of those levels, it is still a good film.

Movie Review

By RICHIE MEHTA

In the film, four brothers, known as the Newton boys, keep up the most successful string of bank robberies in American history. The boys are lead by the charismatic Matthew McConaughey, whose charm shows he can lead an all-star cast consisting of Skeet Ulrich, Vincent D'Onofrio, and a scene-stealing Ethan Hawke. The robbery scenes are well done, highlighted by a great one in Toronto in which citizens of the street take on the boys during a botched robbery. One thing that allows the movie to succeed is its light tone; nobody is killed in these robberies, a fact the Newton boys pride themselves on.

The script is weak in terms of characterization, but the actors take their roles as far

what flat, other aspects-namely Hawke's laid back performance as Jess Newton-are strong enough to keep the film afloat.

As with Wild Things, however, the best part of the film is the end credits. It contains an interview with the youngest Newton on The Tonight Show, circa 1980. The interview confirms that the events of the film are in fact true, and this authentication makes the film all the better. Not only that, it serves as a link between the past, a turn of the century period piece drama, to the present, using a modern element: The Tonight Show. Although it may seem trivial, interesting credits add to the film's completion.



Wild Things steams

T's been a while since Hollywood has had a sensuous thriller that sells sex and violence. The first one to emerge out of the woodwork this year is Wild Things, the much talked about film starring Matt Dillon, Neve Campbell, Denise Richards, and a no-holds-barred Kevin Bacon, who bears all for the audience.

Movie Review

By RICHIE MEHTA

The story begins as Kelly (Richards), accuses her high school guidance counsellor of rape. When another student, Suzie (Campbell), emerges with similar accusations, things get a little steamy. Bacon plays a detective who is more than he appears to be. The plot contains more twists than a dozen Hitchcock films combined; for example, when one character is absent, we know they'll be around later, unless they've died. Eventually, the plot turns become predictable. There is a

breath of fresh air in Bill Murray though, who provides the film's best performance as Lombardo's sleazy attomey. There's no doubt that young people

will go to see this film for the sheer sexual pleasure provided by the experience, but anyone seeking quality will be disappointed. However, there is one redeeming aspect of the film that, alone, serves as basis for a recommendation, and that is the end credits. In fact, it is safe to say that the use of the credits in this movie make it worth seeing as they not only fill in the blanks of the plot, but provide insight into the scenes that the audience are supposedly not intended to see. It gives us more insight into the story, and even gives a more complete ending. Were it not for these credits, the film would not be as good. Since credits are not usually seen as part of the movie, some may think it as a last resort by filmmakers to save the film. But alas, they are a part of the film, and with them, Wild Things holds its own as a source of entertainment.

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Laugh, don't think

That happens when you get two surfers, Yellowstone National Park, a pretty park ranger, and a sinister bad guy bent on stopping Old Faithful?

Movie Review

By Mark Petras

The result is Meet The Deedles, and at least a few good laughs, although this movie is probably not the world's most intelligent or thought provoking film. But that's not always important. As far as comedies go, this one is fairly decent but it is mostly slapstick. It is not for everyone, and anyone who does not like Pauly Shore and Jim Carrey movies probably won't like this movie either.

Surprisingly, the 'bad guy' is an actor that you would least expect to be playing the part, Dennis Hopper. This will catch a few people off guard since Hopper isn't an actor generally associated with slapstick comedies. With regards to the rest of the film's actors, the two Deedle brothers, played by Steve Van Wormer and Paul Walker, were good casting choices as they suit the movie more than adequately because of their surfer-type appearances.

The plot has the surfers, Stew and Phil, who are high school drop-outs, get sent to camp. But when that plan goes awry, they end up trying to become park rangers at Yellowstone and what ensues is something that has to be seen to be believed.

This movie is hard to recommend, simply because it isn't for everyone. The combination of slapstick humour with a fairly simple story helps it out. Plus, it is also the only movie to bring a tear to the reviewer's eye from sheer laughter in quite a while. But be warned; you can't expect very

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CD REVIEWS

The Lox Money, Power and Respect (BMG)

Having been produced by Sean "Puffy" Combs, you can be sure that The Lox will tap into the pop/hip hop sensation. Puffy's production shines through with smooth flow and rhyme.

The band's typical poppy sound is bypassed here, as they seem to be striving for some sort of "hard core" legitimacy with tracks like Yonkers Tale (intro) and Mad Rapper (interlude). The spoken tracks claim origins from the hood, and imply the posse, yet The Lox are from a different, pop-infused breed.

Their originality comes through in tracks like So Right, which adds surprisingly effective funk. Of course, experimentation has a 50-50 chance, and tracks like Bitches From Eastwick fail because of excessive hip hop clichés. Then there is If You Think I'm Jiggy, which steals the beat from Rod Stewart's Do You Think I'm Sexy? These tracks almost force the skip button on the CD player.

-Scott Arnold

Chet Baker Chet Baker Sings (Pacific Jazz)

Chet Baker Sings is a collection of songs recorded by Chet Baker and his quartet between 1954-56. This compilation reissues sounds that are as lively as ever. For jazz lover's, Baker's trumpet and vocal approach is synonymous with smooth, evocative melodies and a freshness that is immediately recognizeable. Chet Baker Sings was the first album in which the artist recorded vocals, and the result is a wonderful blend of trumpet and voice that is both striking and clear.

Although Baker was known primarily for his trumpet, this album showcases an exceptional vocal talent. Throughout, the tone of both voice and instrument is carefully balanced between his choice of notes for melodic sequences. Baker's quartet also blends in subtly and the result is a tight, refined sound that doesn't neglect a touch of improvisation. The album opens with That Old Feeling, and the upbeat song that reflects the lighter, nostalgic feel characterizing many of Baker's songs on the album. Some tracks, such as My Funny Valentine, are overdubbed to include both vocal and trumpet simultaneously, and in the background you may hear the faint echo of the horn moving gracefully as his voice carries a soft timbre. The album's gem is The Thrill is Gone, a solemn tale of heartbreak with a haunting trumpet solo and fine vocal melodies. Time after Time, inother tune with great vocals, shows the well-refined balance between band leader and musicians, with fine piano work from Russ Freeman and bassist Carson Smith

Seasoned listeners will find that Baker's vocals shine on each track and lend a new dynamic approach to an already exceptional talent. Chet Baker Sings is a treat for fans of Baker and a must for jazz vocal afficionados.

-Cyrus Irani

Various Artists Caught Up soundtrack (Virgin)

Caught Up, the soundtrack for the film by the same name, possesses all the hallmarks of a decent compilation: familiar, brand-name musicians, and a mishmash of musical styles. While there are some choice cuts here, there is also a large amount of filler. One can glean the basic plot elements from the songs: girls, betrayal, money, and power. While tracks such as Gang Starr's Work, and O's Made Man fit the above description, they are also great songs.

R & B sounds deliver a lukewarm antidote. MC Lyte contributes to a tender side of the soundtrack, which unfortunately becomes lost in all of the namedropping. Starting with Snoop Doggy Dogg, the soundtrack moves through such stalwarts as Mack 10, showcasing big names over good jams every time. It may seem harsh, but is there any other way to describe the combination of KRS 1, Mad Lion, and Shaggy? Or the unlikely pairing of AZ and Jermaine Dupri?

The Caught Up soundtrack is by no means a total write-off, but don't rush out -Kirsten Davies

Motorhead Snake Bite Love (BMG)

"Lemmy is God!" cried a bunch of dudes in the movie Airheads. This statement is not far from the truth.

When I first heard Motorhead, I was sitting in my high school cafeteria at lunch with nothing to do. Aaron, a notorious loner, who also had nothing to do, sat listening to his walkman. I asked him, "What are you listening to?" He replied, "Motorhead." He passed the headset to me, delicately, as if it were a joint, and let me hear a minute of the tape, and since then..."Lemmy is God!"

Motorhead has the distinction of being one of heavy metal's founding fathers. Taking off in the early 80s, Motorhead's masterwork, Ace of Spades (album title), has influenced all the great bands, from Guns 'n' Roses to Metallica. Their most recent album, Snake Bite Love, will probably not provoke any musician-good or bad-to pick up an instrument. What the CD lacks is a truly "great" song. Snake Bite Love, for the most part, is 40 minutes of lacklustre chords, forgettable solos and uninventive drumming.

The guestion that has to be asked is: how can Motorhead go from creating classic albums like Ace of Spades, Overkill, and Orgasmatron, to manure like Snake Bite Love? The answer, quite simply, is that the band has strayed from its roots. Instead of selling great songs like Fast and Loose, with its catchy precision guitar work, Motorhead has lowered itself to playing boring songs centred on a very heavy rhythm section. The guitar solos are hidden behind a wall of distortion, the drums can't get out of the same groove, and Lemmy's vocals just don't have the bite they used

Lemmy, here's a piece of advice: keep it simple.

-Robert Price

God Lives Underwater Life In The So-Called Space Age (Polygram)

God Lives Underwater's new offering, Life In The So-Called Space Age, is not only a slightly new direction for GLU, but a creates an entirely new niche. Their unique sound exists somewhere between the spacey-rock and hard-edged techno-industrial spectrum.

From Your Mouth, the opening track, sets the tone. It sounds like Bush, Filter, and Stabbing Westward were tossed in a blender and mixed up with heavy drum loops. GLU create a unique sound out of some of the best elements of these comparisons. Their sound is their own, though. Tracks like Happy are slow and haunting, while The Rush Is Loud features a more frenetic drum loop, which creates an odd juxtaposition of chaos, squelching electronics, and low, slower-paced vocals.

Electronic intros cease to be the only evidence that GLU is not a guitar Dress Rehersal For Reproduction mixes guitars and electronic distortion in the intro, and then cuts into a gripping electronic sample accompanied by catchy guitar hooks.

-Scott Arnold

Dan Bern Fifty Eggs (Sony)

In keeping with the Folk tradition, Fifty Eggs reflects the time in which it was created. Contemporary North American ideologies and social issues as digested and portrayed by Dan Bern determine the content of the album. As such, the writing of the songs is especially important.

"I got balls/big old balls/big as grapefruits/big as pumpkins/yes sir, es sir/and on my really good days/they swell to the size of small dogs." These are the loud, sarcastic words that Bern spits out to begin his first critique of the world on the aptly named Tiger Woods. Fortunately, listeners with a genuine distaste for the world at large will have much to learn from the musings of Bern. His sense of humour glosses over his hate. Childish as it may bc, Tiger Woods is not only critical, it's funny too.

On Cure for AIDS, Bern speculates about the world's reaction to a cure for the deadly disease. Accordingly, everyone takes a pill, has a massive orgy and stops wearing clothes for a month. The humour is obvious but, in between the lines, his portrayal of a world without sexual fears seems ironic and poignant.

No Missing Link is perhaps the most exemplary of Bern's commentaries: "Evolution, pretty theor,/but how could Darwin know/that aliens came and fucked the monkey." Obviously Fifty Eggs is not for the squeamish since most of the songs gct fairly graphic. But for the brave, Dan Bern's irreverence can be very entertaining.

A cool bonus is the presence of Ani DiFranco, who produced the album.

-Giovanni Senisi

Charlie Hunter and Pound For Pound

Return Of The Candyman (EMI)

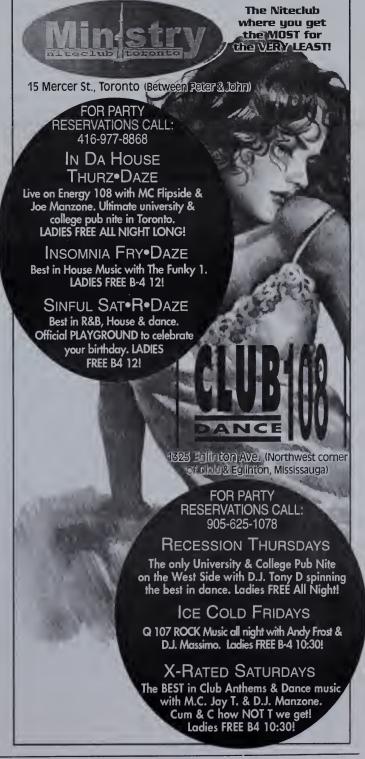
Charlie Hunter, guitarist and lead of the new jazz ensemble, Pound For Pound, treads new territory by creating an album where his eight-string guitar is coupled with a vibraphone (played by Stefon Harris) rather than horns. "I was excited by the fresh tonal

possibilities, as well as the versatility of the instrument and how it would blend in with the rest of the rhythm section" said Hunter. He also indicated that a stronger rhythm section was needed to accomodate the album's emphasis on grooves; any of the baselines on Return Of The Candyman would

find a suitable home on a hip hop record (and they probably will).

Also tossed into Hunter's salad is Cuban percussionist John Santos, who does much to vary the textures and help the mystical ambience present on many of the tracks. People is notable for its slowness and sensuality; this is a track to which many children will be conceived! The appropriately titled Huggy Bear will likewise crank many engines.

Since Return Of The Candyman is based entirely on four instrumentalists, the CD can grow tiresome towards the middle for viewers who are accustomed to the vocal element. The exclusion of lyrics is totally appropriate; words would simply detract from Hunter's smooth and suggestive guitar.





Rappin' 4Tay 4 Tha Hard Way (Virgin)

Rappin'4tay entered the hip hop scene fresh out of prison but hasn't reverted to his gangsta ways. With songs like Ain't Nobody Coachin' and Lay Ya Gunz Down, featuring lyrics such as "That shit is old, who you impressin' all your friends...shippin' them gunz just like it's coke/ so we can spray," 4tay seems determined to prevent others from following in his unfortunate footsteps. He also suggests that there are higher powers behind the availability of guns, a claim echoed by many hip hop stars. Unfortunately, 4tay does not attack racism as effectively as Ras Kass, another West Coast MC

Despite a positive message, 4tay's album features weak production as well as a tired overuse of the G-funk sound. Where You Playin' At, which opens with a great jazzy piano and a solid beat, falls into the G-Funk trap when it adds an organ that kills the song. Having a myriad of producers, like Ant Banks, circumvents consistency in the album. In the end, 4 Tha Hard Way features 4tay's average flow, backed by weak, tired beats and a pathetic clinging to a G-Funk sound that died after Suge Knight went to jail.

-Shevan Bastianpillai

Cocoa Brovaz The Rude Awakening (Virgin)

The Cocoa Brovaz were known as Smif n' Wesson before handgun manufacturers Smith and Wesson, brought on a lawsuit.

The album Rude Awakening, much like 4 Tha Hard Way, features an array of producers. However the results differ dramatically. The Brovaz (Meouphe "Steele" and Smokeelah "Tek") prove that their skills are far superior when it comes to handling the mike; take for example, their dual delivery in The Cash: "We control the night/Who's comin' in/Heat they comin' with/What they comin' with." This track, while possessing a similar chorus and premise to Puff Daddy's All about the Benjamins, reveals the complexities and the dangers of earning cash in the hood. Cocoa Brovaz, like Mobb Deep and Public Enemy, often deal with the grittier aspects of life (and ebonics) on the mean streets. This is particularly evident on tracks such as Game of Life and Still Standin' Strong. The powerful "Memorial" highlights not only the tight production of most of the album but also the dark and realistic lyrics, with verses like "l shed tears/When I received news from my peers/that my nigga Sean Grady was no longer here/Had me mad at my girl/ready to take it to the world/drinkin' liquor til I'm damn near about to hurl." Remarkably, although The Rude Awakening relies on an assortment of producers, the consistency on most tracks remains relatively high. Oddly, they appear to be influenced by the RZA's work on much of the Wu-Tang cuts, by using lilting keyboards and looping female vocal work. This is a solid "first" outing by The Brovaz.

-Shevan Bastianpillai

The Watchmen
Silent Radar
(EMI)

Canadian favourites The Watchmen are back with their fourth release, Silent Radar, and it is everything that a fan would want. Revered for their energetic and rocking performances, The Watchmen's sound has matured, and the band has developed distinctive pieces. Unlike the rushed feeling of their previous release, Brand New Day, Silent Radar seems more relaxed with a level of musical intuitiveness that likely developed from years of performing. While the energy remains, the tones have grown smoother, more refined, and they capture the essence of The Watchmen as

While the first single, Stereo, is already receiving tremendous airplay, the whole CD deserves ample listening; there is not a single dud on the CD. The production is immaculate, and was handled by REM and Soundgarden veteran Adam Kasper at Pearl Jam guitarist Stone Gossard's Studio Litho in Seattle.

As well, Silent Radar is a part of multimedia history, being the first CD ever to contain a CD-active capability, allowing access to a 'private' multimedia area on The Watchmen's webpage. The area's content will periodically change, allowing fans to experience new multimedia, unlike the fixed content of 'enhanced' CDs. There is no question that Silent Radar is a testament to The Watchmen's capabilities, and one can only expect that they will grow in popularity with this tremendous release.

-Ryan Edwardson

Bran Van 3000

Glee (International Version)
(Boundless)

Bran Van 3000's back with...the same album they released almost a year ago? Well, sort of. Another in-Canada success has been spruced up and re-released internationally (remember when Sloan did that last year?). In this case, BV3's Glee gets the treatment.

Along with a cute new cover, we get some remixed and new songs, like Carry On, Rainshine, Forest, Afrodiziak Crow (featuring Grym Reaper of Grave Diggaz), and this reviewer's personal fave, Old School. James "Bran Man" Di Salvio's collective of eight-or-so core members, plus a couple dozen other artists continues to defy categorization. It can only be described as a situation in which all things dubbed and deejayed meet guitars electric and accoustic. No two tracks sound alike, yet among all the samples and electro-goodies, there certainly is unity to the album. There's bound to be something fans will like; on the other hand, they will probably hate a couple of tracks too. It's all part of that Bran Van charm. The new songs probably aren't worth shelling out for if you already have the new obsolete, original Canadian release, but if you don't, you've got all the more reason to try it now.

-Robert Armou

James Iha
Let It Come Down
(Virgin)

Although the first solo album by a Smashing Pumpkins member does not follow in the band's style, it is catchy guitar pop. The first track on James Iha's Let It Come Down, called Be Strong Now, sets the tone; it gets you humming, but there is little substance.

The album does have a few surprises however. For instance, Lover, Lover recalls the sound of Elliot Smith, who shines on the Good Will Hunting sound-track. Although the guitar is well-formed on this track, it is empty, and after a few times around, one senses that something is missing.

The cheese factor is quite high as Country Girl aptly illustrates with the line, "Hallelujah, I'm in love with a girl from the country..." That, combined with the Leona Boyd-esque guitar on Sound Of Love, is bound to send listeners away.

Let It Come Down sure differs from the Pumpkins' style. Whereas Corgan and the boys hit it hard and edgey, Iha takes the edge off in his solo efforts. The album contains nice pop music, but the songs are interchangeable, cheesy, and empty.

-Scott Arnold

Cappadonna Glee (International Version)

(Boundless)

Cappadonna first came onto the rap scene three years ago as a guest star on Raekwon's famous Ice Cream and he has just released his first solo effort, Pillage. As a member of the Shaolin family and the unofficial tenth member of the Wu-Tang Clan itself, Cappadonna has been featured on dozens of the Clan's tracks, and played a dominant role on Wu-Tang Forever. With Pillage, Cappadonna hopes to establish himself as one of the great Shaolin warriors of the rap scene.

The first single, Slang Editorial, begins in typical Wu-Tang style with traditional excerpts from old Kung-Fu movies gradually fading to pure hiphop beats. The track is a perfect introduction to those unaccustomed to Cappadonna's infamous long-verse style of rhyming. His technique has, in fact, influenced the rhyming style of fellow Clan members Ghostface Killah and Chef Raekwon. While this track is decent, the songs on which other Clan members collaborate are undoubtedly the best ones on the album. Oh Donna. which features Ghostface Killah, not only pays homage to the late Richie Valens, but manages to cut up the everincreasing number of rappers who have been trying to copy the Wu style. Dart Throwing, which features Method Man, Raekwon, and Supa Ninjaz, more than reaffirms Cappadonna's place in the multiplatinum Shaolin family.

Pillage, produced by the RZA, is the sixth solo album by a Clan member, and with the exception of Gza's Liquid Swords, it's the best one yet. Aside from a few weak tracks, Pillage is everything a Wu-Tang fan could want. It gives the listener a glimpse into Cappadonna's abstract wisdom and outlook on life.

-Cyrus Irani

Quartetto Gelato Aria Fresca (EMI)

Quartetto Gelato may make classical music more appealing to university students. By performing pieces of the likes of Strauss, Puccini, and Rossini, Quartetto Gelato's latest release, Aria Fresca, gives listeners a good cross-section of classic greats. They offer quality instrumentals (like Strauss's Der Rosenkavalier Suite, which includes Dirigori armato il seno) and great voice pieces (such as Gounod's Faust: "Salut! demure chaste et pure"). The four-piece Canadian group, who have released tapes for a while and performed many concerts together, have solidified their sound.

Commenting on the quality of the pieces is difficult, since each is a time-less classic that has withstood the test of time. However, it is **Quartetto Gelato's** interpretations that deserve note. Instead of sounding dry and aged like some classical music, they have an animated and unique sound.

Classical music can never be new again, yet the sensibilities and incredible talent of these musicians makes the old fresh again. Ingenuity and skill can make all the difference. On *Aria Fresca*, the difference is obvious, and the quality outstanding.

-Scott Arnold

Pulp
This Is Hardcore
(Mercury)

British pseudo-pop band Pulp entered the spotlight with their 1995 release Different Class, which received critical acclaim and produced chart topping singles like Common People. Now, the band has returned with This Is Hardcore, a superb collection of prophetic, melodramatic and soul searching songs that portray a more sinister and highly polished musical sound.

Pulp frontman Jarvis Cocker has proven himself capable of creating passionate lyrics that represent the struggles and joys of the intellectual artist. His lyrics are direct and the frankness of his voice draws listeners closer with each song. His way of often reciting lyrics, as opposed to actually singing, is reminiscent of one-time Pink Floyd frontman Roger Waters. Like Waters, Cocker seeks to unravel the deep, inner complexities of day-to-day existence to find beauty horror in humankind. His lyrics on Dishes are incredible, alluding to the plight of Christ. With lines such as "I've got some matches if you ever need a light...I'd like to make this water wine but that's impossible," he speaks to listeners with sincerity and confidence. It's that feeling of being taken on a voyage through your deepest emotions that makes the songs so appealing. Upon a first taste, it hardly makes sense that This is Hardcore doesn't seem like a pop album.

The opening track, *The Fear*, is not as upbeat as previous chart topping songs but it nevertheless presents a more lyrical and introspective band that is refining its musical identity. Both *Dishes* and *Help The Aged* showcase **Pulp**'s unique brand of pop melody with light rock harmonies and fresh songwriting. The centrepiece of the album is the title track

This Is Hardcore, a six-minute opus describing a love story that dwells in the deep and dark workings of paranoia and intrigue. The song is filled with metaphors and is arguably the most haunting and refined track the band has recorded to date. The album closes with The Day After The Revolution, a tale of bitter irony and the fate of our generation.

There is little doubt that the complexity of Pulp will go unnoticed with this excellent release. This Is Hardcore presents a new edge to an already proven musical act and will prove a valuable addition to any collection. —Cyrus Irani

Robbie Robertson The Underworld of Redboy (Capitol)

Since his groundbreaking Music For The Native Americans (1994), Robbie Robertson has come a long way. Utilizing the talents of programmers like Howie B, he imbues his new music with a sense of immediacy and higher levels of creativity.

Music For The Native Americans introduced to the wider public Robertson's deep interest in his native roots, presenting traditional melodies, instruments, and subject matter in a contemporary format. The album was a milestone because of the possibilities it suggested for future music.

On Contact From The Underworld of Redboy, Robertson aggressively exploits these possibilities. In past recordings, a nostalgic journey into the world of a traditional native song usually lacked a place of reference acknowledging the artist's place in history. The opening track of Robertson's new foray finally accomplishes this task; on The Sound Is Fading, the traditional music (or "sound") that he writes about is sampled from an old recording that in itself sounds old and deteriorating. His message is made clearer by resisting urges to leave the tune unsung, which has been his past approach.

Elsewhere on the album, the likes of Bonnie Jo Hunt are given free reign with their hauntingly beautiful and dominant voices. Hunt's voice is featured on Sacrifice, alongside a monologue by Leonard Peltier, who discusses what sacrifice means to him. The subject is appropriate, considering that since he has been in jail since the 70s for a crime committed by another native who may not even be alive. The American judicial system used his arrest to warn other natives against attempting to defend their rights. The song is incredibly effective.

Robertson sings about the influence that his heritage has had on his life: "It's in my blood, I can't let it go." This is much to the benefit of his listeners, as his music becomes more powerful with every subsequent release.

-Giovanni Senisi

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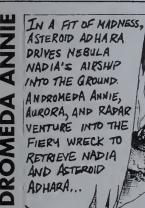




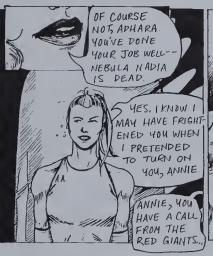














ECSU TOYS!

With the last issue of The Medium upon us, and a changing of the guard at ECSU imminent, The Recess Page decided to create an introductory toy for next year, the Mike Giordano paper doll. Now you can play ECSU with Mike (other dolls to follow soon so that Mike can have some paper friends to play with). Enjoy!





MIKE'S PARA-TROOPER GEAR



MIKE'S FORMAL



MIKE'S BALL HOCKEY JERSEY

To assemble your President of ECSU paper doll, simply cut out the stand to the left and affix it to the back of the Giordano figure to make him stand up (re-inforcing him with cardboard may help), then cut out his various outfits and have fun!



You'd think that after 40 murders, you would FINALLY learn how to properly hide a body.





Never take candy from strangers (or the Anti-Christ for that matter).

THANKS FOR READING

Andromeda Annie and Generation Why? will be back next year - have a good summer.



SPORTS_

Award 'Parks' itself at UTM

By Adaora Ogbue Women's Interfaculty Representative

This year has proven tremendous for women's interfaculty sports at UTM. Not only has participation skyrocketed, but for the first time since the 1993-1994 season, UTM's female athletes have re-established their perch at the top

of U of T's intramural programme by winning the Marie Parkes Trophy for athletic participation.

This award is presented annually to the college or faculty that amasses the most points based on the number of participants, playoff eligibility, and advancement in the playoffs. It was first presented to the Faculty of Physical Education and Health in 1959. UTM's women have since won the award ten times, including this year. In fact, the 1997-98 triumph came after a three-year losing stint to our rivals at Scarborough. Our women's teams were able to snatch the trophy from Scarborough's grasp by a margin of 33 points.

I am particularly proud of our women's teams, who have shown that they can compete at a level unparalleled by our counterparts at U of T's sister colleges. I would also like to extend thanks and congratulations to all the coaches and referees who graciously donated their time to assist in the leadership and development of our teams. Finally, I would like to commend Bob Minhas and Jason Smith for their patience and tolerance as drivers for our athletic teams.

Congratulations, ladies! Your athletic abilities are greatly appreciated by all the students at this campus. I hope to see all of you again next year. To those who are graduating, pay your alumni fees and come back. To those I haven't yet seen, make sure to come out next year and join the fun.

Finally, if anyone is interested in coaching women's sports next year, please submit an application at the UTM Athletics office. Positions are available for basketball, field hockey, ice hockey, indoor and outdoor soccer, lacrosse, touch football and volleyball. Applications will be considered over the summer for hiring in

Venom strike to win IHL title

By Zain Fancy

The Venom have been crowned as the champions of the IHL, after beating the Hitmen in game two, by a score of 5-2, to sweep the series. With this victory, the Venom, formerly Mboro Dista, got sweet revenge on a team who beat them in the C-division finals last year.

There were no real scoring chances in the first half, until the Hitmen connected at the nine-minute mark, when Paul Kutasi put his team on the board. With both teams pressing, Venom's Ronald Monterio made a perfect pass at centre to Rob Callitri, who wristed in a bullet to the short side to tie the game. Shortly thereafter a glaring giveaway by a Venom player led to a breakaway, but Venom goalie Sheldon Martin, who had been a brick wall for his team during the year, stayed true to form and stoned the Hitmen players.

Venom opened the second half by scoring within 30 seconds, when a beautiful pass by Crispen Martin was one-timed home by Leo Pasia to put his team up 3-1. On a Venom powerplay the Hitmen's goalie came up huge by mak-

This is the last issue for the 1997/98 edition of *The Medium*. Thanks to all the writers who contributed to the *Sports s*ection. A big thanks to Zain Fancy, who wrote numerous ball hockey articles (some on short notice). Thanks to Reza Ispahany for contributing to "The best of all-time survey."

A special thanks goes out to two members of the UTM Athletic staff. Adaora Ogbue, women's interfaculty rep. Adaora has been instrumental in the success of women's interfaculty sports at UTM this season; culminating with the winning of the Marie Parkes Award (see left). Adaora has helped from day one to make my job a lot easier. And to Jason Nicols, men's intramural rep. Jason has helped all year long, starting with the XXX games back during frosh week.

UTM Athletic staff are lucky to have these two individuals returning to the council next year. Have a safe and happy summer.

ing several great saves, something he had failed to do in game one, or for that matter, for the rest of the game. Venom connected again on a mad scramble when Leo Pasia's shot found the back of the net. At this point, the Hitmen completely lost their cool, taking stupid penalties that ultimately cost them the game. At the 13-minute mark, while on the power play, Martin pounced on a rebound and backhanded the ball upstairs to give his team a commanding 4-1 lead. The Hitmen finally scored when Tyler Williams' shot in a rebound.

A blown call must be credited to the referees, when a Hitmen player, who was in the penalty box, reached out and poke-checked the ball away from a Venom player. With four minutes left, Gavin Mascarenhas scored on a floater from the half that somehow eluded the goalie. With a score of 5-2, and the game coming to a close, tempers began to flare. Several fighting majors were the consequence, but when the dust settled, the Venom finally claimed their title as kings of the IHL. Congratulations to Venom, the first-ever winners of the IHL championship.

Road to the finals

The Hawks and Fury will face-off in the two-game NHL finals

By Grant Daniels **Game 1 & 2 Hawks vs Hellfish**

The Hawks cruised to an easy victory in the semifinals against the Hellfish by drubbing them with a commanding and embarrassing 10-3 two-game total. Game One started with Hawk Sanj Bhalla scoring a minute and a half into the game with a shot off the post. Hawk Michael Arage put his

team up 2-0 when he blasted a shot from the slot. Gabe Galambos then scored with three minutes left; a wicked shot, it was his third point of the game. Near the end of the half, Neal Carley put his team on the board with a very hard shot from centre that eluded the goalie and found the top comer of the net.

In the second half, two Hawk goals made the final score in game one 5-1. Notable performances were made by Hawk goalie Dylan Riendeau, who only allowed one goal; and Hawks Rajwinder Sandhu and Sanj Bhalla, who set the house on fire whenever they touched the ball, as they constantly amazed the crowd with their dazzling moves.

In Game Two, Bhalla opened the scor-Hellfish con't on page 17



1998 American League baseball preview

By DUNCAN KOERBER

The 1998 baseball season is finally underway and the prospects for the home team, the Blue Jays, look as good as they have since 1993. The American League has parity, with only one super team-that being the Yankees. Thus, there's a great chance for many teams to win their divisions' titles, or at least grab the playoff wildcard. There will be no National League preview until they stop forcing fans to suffer the spectacle of pitchers hitting, and games in cookie-cutter designed

| EAST | WINS | |
|-----------|------|--|
| New York | 98 | |
| Baltimore | 88 | |
| Toronto | 86 | |
| Boston | 84 | |
| Tampa | 69 | |

New York Yankees

Hitting: The Yankees' lineup is the best in baseball today. They were second in runs last year, and in the off-season, they added one of the best leadoff men around. Chuck Knoblauch.

Pitching: Some people are skeptical about the Yanks' rotation, what with Cone coming off arm trouble. However, do well.

(3.69 ERA in 1997). However, the third starter is 37-year-old Jimmy Key and his arm is not what it used to be. The Orioles are working on a reclamation project for their rotation, Doug Drabek, but he's washed up. Clearly they've got some question marks in the rotation, and they also have a big question mark in the bullpen: can Randy Myers be replaced? They seem to have two capable guys: Arthur Rhodes (3.02 ERA, 102 strikeouts in 95.1 innings) and Armando Benitez (2.45 ERA, 106 strikeouts in 73.1 innings), but Baltimore fans get the jitters when these two enter the game.

Toronto Blue Jays

Hitting: The two most important factors in a good offense are getting on base and hitting for power. The Jays were incapable of doing either well last year. If anyone but Jose Cruz hits double-digits in home runs, it will be a miracle-which is a sad state of affairs. A positive factor is that the Jays have many good young players in the starting line-up: Shannon Stewart, 24, Alex Gonzalez, 24, Jose Cruz, 23, Shawn Green 25, Carlos Delgado, 25. But most of these guys need to have a break-out year for this team to



Cone has never really had a bad year in his career. His ERA was 2.82 last year-expect the same this season. With him and Andy Pettite, who tossed 240.1 innings with a 2.88 ERA last season, they've got as solid a top two as any team. Obviously David Wells in the third spot isn't great, but he's dependable. The Yanks have real strength in their bullpen, which is anchored by Mike Stanton (2.57 ERA in 66.2 innings with 70 strikeouts) and Mariano Rivera (1.88 ERA in 71.2 innings, with 68 strikeouts).

Baltimore Orioles

Hitting: The Orioles finished first in the AL East last year with an amazing 98-64 record, but they are poised for a fall this season. The Orioles are getting old. The youngest club member is 30-year old Roberto Alomar and while he should do well, Rafael Palmeiro, 34, Eric Davis, 36, Cal Ripken, 37, and Joe Carter, 38, should expect declining performances. The Orioles' lineup already includes offensive-zero shortstop Mike Bordick.

Pitching: The Baltimore pitching staff has two excellent pitchers, Mike Mussina

If everything stays the same, the Blue Jays offense will still improve thanks to the loss of garbage hitters Joe Carter and Otis Nixon. They were rally-killers of the highest order. Good riddance to those two. Carter's new place in the Baltimore Orioles' lineup can only hurt the Orioles'

Pitching: The Jays' pitching staff was third-best in runs allowed last year. The problem this season, it seems, is that Roger Clemens can't be expected to pitch as well as he did last year. If his 2.05 ERA from 1997 rises to, let's say, 3.10 this year, it would cost the Jays about 30 runs. The Jays will need a good year from Juan Guzman (don't bet on it) and an improvement from Pat Hentgen (unlikely-he tossed a whopping 264 innings last year and may have a tired arm now) to make up for the loss. Maybe 23-year-old old rookie starter Chris Carpenter is as good as the scouts say he is-if so, he could be the key to an improved rotation. The Jays will make some gains in the bullpen with the addition of star closer Randy Myers, an improvement over Mike "Crash and Burn" Timlin.

Hitting: Nomar Garciaparra led the Boston offense to fourth in the league last year. Boston's mediocre 78-84 record was a result of very bad pitching. The offence should be similar this year, although it remains to be seen how the team's lightweight outfield will perform (Troy O'Leary, Darren Bragg and Darren Lewis).

Pitching: The Boston pitching staff has obviously improved with the multi-million dollar signing of Pedro Martinez, His presence in the number one spot in the rotation could save them 30 runs this

Tampa Bay Devil Rays

Hitting: You know you have a bad team when your leadoff man is Quinton McCracken. They've got Wade Boggs but he's only hanging on to reach 3000 hits. All things considered, their offensive star is Paul Sorrento.

Pitching: Overall, Tampa's rotation is a joke, but what do you expect from an expansion team? Wilson Alvarez is good (3.48 ERA in 212 innings last year) but he's not a number one starter.

| CENTRAL DIVISION | WINS |
|------------------|------|
| Cleveland | 85 |
| Chicago | 83 |
| Detroit | 80 |
| Minnesota | 72 |
| Kansas City | 67 |

Cleveland Indians

Hitting: The Indians brought back centerfielder Kenny Lofton to solidify what was already the third best scoring offense in the league

Pitching: The Indians' rotation is mediocre. Charles Nagy, Garet Wright and Dwight Gooden each had ERAs over four last season. Since he's only 22, Wright should improve and bring his ERA below four over a full season, but Nagy and Gooden aren't likely to get any better this late in their careers. Mike Jackson and Jose Mesa lead a good bullpen.

Chicago White Sox

Hitting: Chicago will likely have a good year from Robin Ventura and what should be an improved Albert Belle. Add those two guys to the best hitter in the American League, Frank Thomas (.347 average, .456 onbase percentage, .611 slugging percentage in 1997), and they should have a good offense.

Pitching: Chicago's downfall is its pitching staff. Jaime Navarro is at best a number four starter, not a number one, as Chicago will use him. The bullpen is nondescript also.

Hitting: They have some solid players like Bobby Higginson in right field and Tony Clark at first base, but the rest of the team is mediocre.

Pitching: The rotation is led by relative unknown 25-year-old Justin Thompson (3.02 ERA in 223.1 innings). After him, however, the staff, including the bullpen,

is average. Look for the same sort of season as last year.

Minnesota Twins

Hitting: The Twins were bad at everything last year. They added garbage players like Orlando Merced and Otis Nixon this past off-season, which is a waste as there are probably guys in their minor league system that would make better

Pitching: The Twins' rotation is like the Indians'-very mediocre. But unlike the Indians, the Twins have a genuine star, Brad Radke. At age 24, Radke had a great season, with a 3.87 ERA in 239.2 innings, with 174 strikeouts and only 48

Kansas City Royals

Hitting: Kansas City was offensively inept last year and fans will suffer through a summer of weak hitting again.

Pitching: Kansas City lost ace starting pitcher Kevin Appier, who had surgery on his pitching shoulder earlier this spring. Now the pressure falls on Tim Belcher who, at age 37, shouldn't be forced like this into the role of staff ace. He had a 5.02 ERA in 213 innings last season, with only 113 strikeouts in 213

| WEST | WINS |
|---------|------|
| Seattle | 88 |
| Anaheim | 86 |
| Texas | 81 |

Seattle Mariners

Hitting: Seattle was number one in scoring last year. Expect the same in '98.

Pitching: The Seattle rotation is wishywashy. Sort of like Boston's. Jeff Fassero, slated as the number two starter, is on the D.L. The amazing (and hideous) Randy Johnson is angry that he doesn't have a big multi-year contract, but inbetween all the whining he should do as well as ever. Since their offense is the best in the West, they should win the division. You can be sure that Mike Timlin and Heathcliff Slocumb will blow a lot of games out of the 'pen.

Anaheim Angels

Hitting: Anaheim is a team that could make a move to the top of their division. They were fifth in scoring last year. Pitching: The Angels are hoping Jack McDowell can return to old form this season and eat up a lot of innings in the third spot in the rotation. Jason Dickson, 25, had a good 1997 and is the only Anaheim starter under 30 years of age. The bullpen has hard-throwing closer Troy Percival.

Texas Rangers

Hitting: Texas was seventh in the league in scoring last year. Texas' downfall is that they have an offensive zero, "speedy" Tom Goodwin, leading off the batting order. Why anyone would put Goodwin and his .314 on base percentage at leadoff is incomprenhensible.

Pitching: John Burkett's numbers, other than his ERA, look pretty good: 189.1 innings, 139 strikeouts, only 30 walks. Maybe he can lower the ERA from 4.56. Wetteland will be a rock as

Oakland Athletics

Hitting: Oakland is ready for a fall after having traded slugger Mark McGwire to St. Louis late last season (but can they fall any lower?). McGwire can't be replaced. Oakland wants 21-year old rightfielder Ben Grieve to pick up the slack. He hit .312 in limited at-bats with the team last

Pitching: Oakland's rotation is in shambles and should end up being the worst in the league.



one-timer from Rob McKeracher. With the game tied, the players started getting a little more aggressive

In the process of retaliation, Fury's Rayhan Malik (who was already on the score sheet with one goal) received a roughing call. This didn't sit well with the Fury players, so the veteran, the icon, the show-stopper, the main event, Amrit Chohan, with 17 seconds left, scored a beautiful, unassisted goal on the Warrior's star goalie to give the lead to the Fury. With 1.5 seconds left, Amrit Chohan scored another sweet goal, this time assisted by another veteran, Alikhan.

The final score was 3-1 Fury. A lot of bad blood between the two teams was waiting for their second confrontation which was to be played only an hour later.

BY ZAIN FANCY

GAME TWO FURY VS WARRIORS

Once again, Fury has moved on to the finals after finishing off the Warriors in game two, 6-3. Already up 3-1, the Fury entered the game poised to cruise to victory and they did. The Warriors scored first when a Matt Barrese blast from half beat the goalie. Fury replied when Mario Mallozi five-holed the goalie. After this goal, the Warrior goalie seemed to lose his focus, as Shaheen Limbada scored a very soft goal on a wrist shot that should have been stopped. The Warriors replied when Barrese scored again

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Hellfish and Warriors eliminated

2.5

ing on a breathtaking goal, when he deked out a couple of Hellfish players and beat the goalie on a breakaway. Sandhu undressed every one of the Hellfish and followed with a beautiful goal. Jose Izquierdo and Neal Carley replied for the Hellfish to put the combined score at 7-3 with 20 minutes left.

In the second half, goals by Arage and Bhalla finished off the Hellfish. Hawk Zuhair Fancy, a main target for the Hellfish, scored an empty-netter and then rubbed it in to one of the Hellfish players, by yelling a Ric Flair "WHOOOO!" which once again set the house on fire.

With a 10-3 victory secured, the Hawks will now take on the powerful and undefeated Fury in the NHL finals.

By MEHDI ISPAHANY Game One

Fury vs Warriors

Tension among spectators was high as no one knew what to expect when these two titans were getting ready for their

For the beginning of the first period, it was very dull and uneventful game. Both sides were not getting many scoring chances and neither team had dominated over the other, however, this changed in

the latter part of the half. While Fury's Shabaz Alikhan led an onslaught of shots, the Warriors' goalie stoned him and the rest of the Fury team. Save after save, the goalie proved to be an emphatic force. Although the Fury definitely dominated the last 10 minutes, of the half, the game remained scoreless.

Alas, in the second half the Warrior's goalie finally succumbed to the Fury's assault, especially because he was getting no defensive help from his teammates. Fury's Rayhan Malik put a sweet, unassisted goal past the obviously tired Warnors goalie to make the score 1-0. Five minutes, later Warriors' Matt Barrese scored with a

Top teams set to do battle

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from the slot. Pardeep Gill then gave his team a 6-3 lead on the power play, by scoring on a rebound. Shabhaz Alikhan also connected on the power play, when his shot off the side of the net somehow went in.

After this goal, the ball was knocked out-of-bounds and came back in, but the play was not whistled dead until the Fury bench screamed for the call. This prompted Warrior Larry Lippa to ask a referee, "Who's making the calls here?" causing almost all of the fans in attendance to scream out, "Fury!" With about one minute left in the first half, Lippa scored on a great shot from the slot to five-hole Carrabs, making the score 7-4 for the Fury, as they went into the sec-

The second half saw less scoring and more hitting. Warrior goalie Joey made the save of the game when he dove across the net to rob Alikhan of a sure goal. Fury added two more goals to pad their lead at 9-4, which prompted the Warriors to start taking runs at them.

The hit of the game came with about three minutes left, when Warrior Steve Ambrosio took a healthy run at Mallozi, who ducked at the last second sending Ambrosio up and over. With the win, the stage has been set for Fury to battle the Hawks for the Fury NHL championship in a best of three series.

Getting in shape for summer time

year finally upon us and the final exams approaching faster than a Roger Clemens fast ball, it is easy to become overwhelmed with anxiety and stress. That's why it is important-now, as well as throughout one's life-to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle. This is achieved through physical activity and a balanced and nutritious diet.

BEYOND THE SCORE

By Nelson De Sousa

Exercise is defined as "planned, structured, and repetitive bodily movement done to improve or maintain one or more

components of physical

fitness." Exercise has

many biological ben-

efits, one of which is

disease prevention. Over 40 years ago, J.N. Morris and his colleagues conresearch in London to prove the theory that physical activity could aid in cardiovascular disease prevention. The study showed that

sedentary bus

diovascular disease compared to the conductors, who needed to climb the stairs in the double-decker bus to collect tickets.

Regular exercise positively affects key areas of the human body. These include: body mass, bone density, blood pressure, glucose, and insulin metabolism, among numerous other benefits.

Remaining active has also been known to stop the chances of contracting cancer. Back in 1920, studies indicated that cancer rates were lower in active individuals compared to sedentary persons. Colon cancer is the most common form of the disease related to inac-

The American College of Sports Medicine recommends exercising 20 to 40 minutes, three to five times a week, at 65 to 90 per cent of one's maximum heart rate. A regular exercise regiment helps stimulate blood circulation, increases the body's temperature, in the operation strong healthy

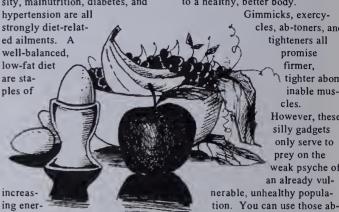
heart, aids in the

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the lungs, balances appetite and weight, and increases overall endurance. A proper diet is the other key ingredient to healthy liv-

Nutrition

There are several diseases relating to improper eating habits; obesity, malnutrition, diabetes, and hypertension are all



gy, vitality, and works to promote long-life.

According to a US Senate report, over-consumption and under-nutrition have reached epidemic proportions; they are the leading causes of five of the 10 deaths. These habits have been found to lead to cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, mellius, arteriosclerosis, and cirrhosis of the liver.

One society that is the polar opposite to North America's glutinous, junk-food eating binges are the Hunza, of the Himalayans. The Hunza people are considered "the healthiest people in the world." They eat grains, fruits, assorted raw vegetables and drink small

put, it is a recipe for a healthy and long life.

With the obvious health crisis in North America, the population is constantly inundated with healthy eating and exercise advice. Late night infomercials, books, and magazines all claim to have the key to a healthy, better body.

Gimmicks, exercy-

cles, ab-toners, and

tighteners all promise

firmer, tighter abominable muscles. However, these silly gadgets only serve to prev on the weak psyche of

an already vul-

whatevers or thigh-whatchamcallits until you are blue in the face, but if it is not accompanied by a healthy diet, your amazingly firm abdominal will be covered by inches of fat. Does that

The key to a healthy, prolonged life is to remain active and possess a balanced diet. With the summer approaching, it's the perfect opportunity to get fit for all those great outdoor activities: cycling, rollerblading, swimming, jogging, and tennis.

sound like a better, firmer body?

Having a healthy lifestyle will help reduce stress and anxiety, and thus, make life more productive and enjoyable. Don't neglect your body, it can be very unforgiving.

drawings by Erin Finley

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Men net another championship for UTM

By STEVE DZIS

When coaches Stephen Kolobaric and Stephen Dzis first saw UTM's four-onfour Division II volleyball team in action, they predicted a colossal outcome. When their season began, the uncoordinated and contorted move-

ments of the players looked unlike those of any sport performed by drugfree athletes

After a series of wins; however, the individuals began to function as a team. Forming strategy, "play ball now, drink later," the fought team many skilled competitors. They soon earned their chance at the finals, where thev played against a team that had beaten them before and were last year's

fans filed into the Toronto gym on

March 24. The first game resulted in a devasting defeat for UTM. Determined, UTM struck back in the second game with an outstanding "headstrong" attack by Mark Santarossa, who had endured multiple injuries all season. As both teams fought head-to-head, UTM gained incredible momentum while their opponents buckled under the strain.

The second game, won by UTM, could largely be credited to the constant barrage of attacks executed by both Kevin Breckels and Patrick Curran. It set the stage for the third game, as UTM solidified its reign over their trembling

The tremendous serving ability of

6. Hawks, Bhalla (Khwrana) 4:20 7. Hawks, Zu. Fancy (Arage) :20 Penalties: Scheffel, Hellfish (roughing) 14:51, Sandhu, Hawks (roughing) 14:51, Pontet, Hellfish (interference) 10:25, Scheffel, Hellfish (body contact) 9:41, Izquierdo, Hellfish (roughing) 5:14, Sandhu, Hawks (holding) 5:14, Izquierdo, Hellfish (roughing) 5:14, Pontet, Hellfish (balnce of game):10, Daniels, Hellfish (double minor rough-

> Fury 3 vs. Warriors 1 First Half

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Second Half

1. Fury, Malik 15:45 2. Warriors, Barrese (Mckeracher) 5:02

3. Fury, Chohan:17 4. Fury, Chohan (Alikhan):1.5

Penalties: Lucia, Fury (roughing) 9:59, Malik, Fury (roughing):52, Lippa, Warriors (roughing) :52

Fury 6 vs. Warriors 3 First Half

1. Warriors, Barrese (Ambrosio) 17:49

2. Fury, Mallozi (Panglia) 17:10

3. Fury, Limbada (Panglia) 19:28 4. Warriors, Barrese (Ambrosio) 15:30

5. Fury, Gill (Chohan) 12:40 (pp)

6. Fury, Carrabs 6:40 (pp) 7. Warriors, Lippa (Blackwood) 1:19 Penalties: Malik, Fury (body contact) 18:49, Desouza, Warriors (high sticking) 14:36, Mckeracher, Warriors (body contact) 13:33, Barrese, Warriors (roughing) 6:52

Second half

8. Fury, Panglia (Alikhan) 13:29 9. Fury, Malik (Carrabs) 6:58 Penalties: Curran, Fury (roughing) 9:38, Barrese, Warriors (roughing) 9:38, Ambrosio, Warriors (roughing) 2:30, Mckeracher, Warriors (balance of game) 1:37, Mallozi, Fury (roughing) no

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champions. The UTM men's four-on-four volleyball champions. Back row, left: anticipation was B.J. Edwards, Steve Dzis, Patrick Curran. Bottom left: Kevin stifling as the Breckers, Steve Kolobaric, Mark Santarossa.

photo courtesy Steve Dzis

Donald Edwards (a.k.a B.J.) and Kolobaric will undoubtedly never be paralleled in the future. A teary-eyed Coach Dzis looked on when the UTM four-on-four volleyball players were

the victory so sweet.

presented their t-shirts in a formal awards ceremony. A special thanks goes out to all the fans who helped make

Jame summaries

Game One Venom 6 vs. Hitmen 0 First Half

1. Venom, Calistri (Monterio) 18:52 2. Venom, Monterio (Bhatia) 11:04

3. Venom, Martin (Bhatia) no time given Penalties: Oberhauser, Hitmen (roughing) 16:03, Morrison, Hitmen (cross checking) 14:04, Desouza, Venom (tripping) 13:26, Bhatia, Venom (body contact) 6:08, Williams, Hitmen (hitting from behind) 3:42, Goalie, Hitmen (unsportsmanlike) 0:00

4. Venom, Calistri (Monterio) 19:38 5. Venom, Savaglio (Calistri) 9:51

6. Venom, Monterio 3:17

Penalties: Dyal, Venom (roughing) 13:54, Mascarenhas, Venom (roughing)

10:52, Oberhauser, Hitmen (roughing) 10:52, Seli, Hitmen (slashing) 7:56, Pasia, Venom (holding) 5:32

Venom 5 vs. Hitmen 2 First Half

1. Hitmen, Kutasi 8:55 2. Venom, Calitri (Monterio) 1:55

13:12, Savaglio, Venom (roughing)

13:12, Calitri, Venom (roughing) 6:46, Seli, Hitmen (slashing) 2:30

Second Half

3. Venom, Pasia (Martin) 19:10

4. Venom, Vaz (Fonseca) 14:01 5. Venom, Martin (Pasia) 12:55

6. Hitmen, Williams 10:42

7. Venom, Mascarenhas 4:02

Penalties: Williams, Hitmen (double minor high sticking) 18:10, Morrison,

Hitmen (body contact) 13:34, Morrison, Hitmen (elbowing) 6:40, Morrison, Hitmen (balnce of game) 4:02, Tang, Hitmen (roughing and balnce of game) 4:02, Seli, Hitmen (unsportsmanlike) 3:20, Hober, Hitmen (roughing) 3:20, Calitri, Venom (body contact) 3:20, Lotesto, Venom (msajor roughing) 1:18, Westlake, Hitmen (body contact) 1:18

Hawks 5 vs. Hellfish 1 First Half

1. Hawks, Bhalla (Galambos) 18:30

2. Hawks, Arage (Galambos) 9:44 3. Hawks, Galambos (Sandhu) 3:31

4. Hellfish, Carley (Curran) 1:30

Penalties: Bhalla, Hawks (roughing) 17:13, Southwell, Hellfish (body contact) 16:16, Sandhu, Hawks (roughing) 15:13, Za. Fancy, Hawks (interference) 13:30, Southwell, Hellfish (roughing)

9:05, Izquierdo, Hellfish (interference) 3:45, Riendeau, Hawks (double minor roughing) 3:45, Bhalla, Hawks (body contact) 2:42

Second Half

5. Hawks, Singh (Sandhu) 8:25 6. Hawks, Bhalla (Riendeau) 7:55

First Half

1. Hawks, Bhalla (Galambos) 12:51

2. Hawks, Sandhu (Arage) 11:45 3. Hellfish, Izquierdo (Pontet) 9:25

4. Hellfish, Carley (Daniels):41 Penalties: Singh, Hawks (double minor

high sticking) 15:18, Shippen, Hellfish (roughing) 13:14, Arage, Hawks (rough-

Second Half

5. Hawks, Arage (Singh) 8:30



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